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WANG CHING-WEI'S DEPARTURE FROM CHUNGKING EXPLAINED BY GENERALISSIMO CHIANG

No Connection In Any Way With The Chinese National Government

Chungking, December 27.

"NO PATRIOTIC CHINESE at this moment will think of peace or compromise with Japan," declared Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in an address at the weekly memorial service yesterday.

Referring to Mr. Wang Ching-wei's departure from Chungking, the Generalissimo said that Mr. Wang is "undertaking the trip purely for health reasons. Rumours that Mr. Wang is conducting peace negotiations, said the Generalissimo, are absolutely without foundation.

The Chinese leader added that Mr. Wang's movements are not only without any connection with the National Military Council but were also not connected in any way with the Central Kuomintang or the Chinese National Government.

"If Mr. Wang Ching-wei has any proposals regarding national policy, he can easily discuss the matter with his colleagues in the Central Kuomintang or with myself. After so many years of comradeship in national revolution, there is nothing we cannot discuss.

"In matters of such importance as those affecting the future existence of the Chinese nation, I am confident that Mr. Wang Ching-wei will not undertake negotiations, as reported, without consulting us."

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek expressed confidence that rumours regarding Mr. Wang had been deliberately circulated by China's enemies with the intention of misleading the public.—Reuter.

UNITED FRONT NOT AFFECTED

(From Our Own Correspondent).

Chungshan, Dec. 27.

The retirement of Mr. Wang Ching-wei from Chinese national politics, which was expected for some time, does not affect the united front in China and the continuation of protracted resistance to Japanese aggression, it was learned here to-day from political circles in close touch with Chungking.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei does not occupy any government post and was incorrectly referred to as Vice-Premier for the simple reason that China is not under a premiership system of government. He is the Chairman of the People's Political Council (a popular body of future solons), deputy executive of the Kuomintang, and Chairman of the Central Political Council, a subsidiary of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is the general executive of the Kuomintang, hence Mr. Wang's absence does not disrupt Party work.

NO RESPONSE

For some time, publicists in close touch with Mr. Wang Ching-wei advocated closer ties with Germany and Italy, but this view is not favourable to the masses owing to the impossibility of the situation. Mr. Wang is reported to have suggested the reorganisation of the Executive Yuan but to have found no response.

It is likely that Mr. Wang will go to Europe for a rest, as he still suffers from the effect of bullet wounds inflicted by an assassin in Nanking four years ago. Political rather than diplomatic reason prompts Mr. Wang to leave Chungking, and his retirement will not alter the Sino-Japanese situation.

Those leaders who champion stronger resistance to Japanese aggression are more and more in favour in the eyes of the masses, it was said. Hereafter the National Government will act more closely with Great Britain, France, the United States and the Soviet Union.

RETURN REQUESTED

Chungking, Dec. 27.

According to local reports, several high officials have been instructed by the Central authorities to proceed to Hanoi to request the return of Mr. Wang Ching-wei.

These reports stated that Mr. Wang's departure from here was

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URGED TO RETURN TO WORK

Chungking, Dec. 27.

Urging Mr. Wang Ching-wei to return immediately to Chungking to resume work, the "Ta Kung Pao," influential Chinese newspaper, writes:

"Millions of men are fighting at the front and are unable to ask for leave. Those who have responsibilities in the rear must make every effort to carry on."—Reuter.

JAPAN DOES NOT KNOW WHAT TO DO NEXT

Military Policy In China Fails

Kweilin, Dec. 27.

Mr. Wataro Kachi, well known Japanese writer, and his wife arrived here from Chungking to get first hand information of the southwest.

In an interview, Mr. Kachi stated, that the Japanese military policy in China has failed. On the coast the Japanese navy is executing a blockade, and on land Japanese troops are attempting to cut off international highways linking with Indo-China, Burma and Soviet Russia.

"Japan's last move is to send more troops to South China for a big battle. However, there is a feeling in Japan that the firm stand of Britain and France makes it necessary to change her foreign policy," Mr. Kachi added.

He confirmed reports that Japan is exhausted by the war and does not know what to do next.

Firmly against Japanese aggression in China, Mr. Kachi has joined the Military Affairs Commission in doing publicity work to enlighten Japanese in China and Japan.—International.

ALARM SOUNDED IN CHUNGKING

Chungking, Dec. 27.

The alarm was sounded here at 11.30 a.m. yesterday when 36 planes, in several squadrons, passed Wanhsien heading westward along the north bank of the Yangtze in the direction of Chungking. An urgent alarm was given some 30 minutes later when the raiders were sighted over Changshou, 60 miles northeast of Chungking.

At the same time Chinese pursuit planes circled above Chungking ready to give battle if the visitors appeared within the city limits.

One squadron of 12 Japanese machines bombed a village northwest of Chungking while the remaining 24 circled over the north of the Chinese capital for more than half an hour finally disappearing towards the east.

The all clear signal was sounded at 1.30 p.m.

An unconfirmed report stated that six Japanese raiders headed westward in the direction of Chengtu but no word has yet been received from that city.—Reuter.

BANK DIRECTOR KIDNAPPED

Jerusalem, Dec. 27.

The British director of the Ottoman Bank in this city, Mr. Louis Le Bouvier, has disappeared and it is believed he has been kidnapped by an Arab. He set out out by car a few days ago and his empty car was found on Monday by a military patrol near the Jerusalem-Jericho highway.

A member of a rich Arab family, Jarallah, was murdered on Monday in Jericho and two Jews were shot by Arabs in this city.—Transocean.

ONE DOLLAR MOVEMENT

Colony Campaign On New Year's Day

Following the Sl movement launched in Chungking, Shanghai and other cities to raise money for repayment of the British and American credit loans, Chinese circles in Hongkong are contemplating to launch a similar movement here on New Year's Day if preparations can be completed in time.

Individual and group response to the campaign here is already manifest. The "Ta Kung Pao" yesterday received from Mr. Fung Mun-fei a letter enclosing 58 cents Hongkong currency (equivalent to $1 National currency) as a contribution toward the fund. The Hung Hong Electric Appliances Company and the Chung Wah Radio Society also sent to this paper a total of $12, while the paper's staff itself donated $75 National currency.

According to a Shanghai report appearing in the "Lih Pao" yesterday, Col. Hsieh Tsing-yuan, commander of the "Doomed Battalion," which is detained in a concentration camp in the International Settlement in Shanghai, has donated $10 in support of the campaign in Shanghai. The men of the battalion, it is stated, will donate $1 each.

MR. WANG TO RESIDE IN KOWLOON

Chungking, Dec. 27.

The departure for Hongkong of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, Deputy Executive of the Kuomintang and Chairman of the Central Political Council, has been confirmed.

He is accompanied by his secretary, Mr. Tseng Chung-min, who was a former Minister of Railways, and it is believed that Mr. Wang will take up residence in Kowloon.—Reuter.

GEN. DOIHARA OUTSIDE COLONY?

It was reported in usually well-informed circles last night that Lieut.-Gen. Kenji Doihara, chief of the Japanese Army's Special Service Department in China, had

LIEUT-GEN. DOIHARA

arrived off Hongkong territorial waters in a warship.

He was stated to have travelled by air from Shanghai to Canton on Monday.

Authoritative quarters, however, neither confirmed nor denied the report, which also mentioned that Lieut-Gen. Doihara was on a "special mission."

GUNFIRE HEARD IN TUNGSHAN

Canton, Dec. 27.

It is reported that a Japanese trawler on its way to Macao encountered Chinese guerillas down river.

Gunfire was clearly audible in Tungshan this morning and seemed to come from the direction of the White Cloud Mountains. Meanwhile, tension is appearent thoughtout the city.—Reuter.

SWATOW MAYOR'S NEW POST

Swatow, Dec. 27.

Mayor Ho Tung, who is appointed a committee member of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, will leave here shortly for Lienhsien to take up his new post. No announcement is yet available as to who will be the next mayor of Swatow.

Gen. Li Hon-wan, the new Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, will hand over his command of troops to Gen Teng Lung-kwang. The incoming personnel of the government will be inducted into their office on January 1.

Mr. Hu Ming-tsao, administrative officer of the Swatow district, will shortly leave here for Lienhsien to become Secretary-General of the Provincial Government.—International.

TRAIN CRASH

Bucharest, Dec. 27.

Total casualties in the Rumanian train crash are reported to be 93 dead and 142 seriously injured, according to a report issued on Tuesday morning. Numerous other slightly injured persons have been discharged from hospital following treatment.—Transocean.

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ATTENDANCE RECORD

Johannesburg, Dec. 27.

The attendance of 22,000 at the First Test match yesterday was a record the previous best being 18,000 in 1936 when South Africa played against Australia.—Reuter.

South Africa 256 For 6 In First Test

MITCHELL OUT FOR 73 RUNS

Johannesburg, Dec. 27.

The first Test match between England and South Africa was continued to-day when the latter resumed their innings. At the close of play yesterday, South Africa had scored 166 for the loss of five wickets in reply to England's total of 422.

B. Mitchell (72 not out) and K Viljoen (O not out) faced Kenneth Farnes and Hedley Verity. Both batsmen were very cautious.

Mitchell had only added one run to his overnight total when he was bowled by an in-swinger from Farnes. It was the last ball of the second over. (173-6-73).

Mitchell hit three boundaries in his innings which lasted 204 minutes. He was very patient and defended skilfully.

Dalton joined Viljoen and at lunch the pair were still together Dalton having 48 to his credit and Viljoen 36. Dalton survived three leg appeals. The score was 256 for six wickets.

(Earlier scores will be found on Page 10).

SHEFFIELD SHIELD

Melbourne, Dec. 27.

In a Sheffield Shield cricket match played here to-day Victoria scored 504 and New South Wales 294 and 388.

In another match at Adelaide, South Australia totalled 462 and Queensland 131 and 152 for 4.—Reuter.

GENERAL HATA RETURNING TO JAPAN

Shanghai, Dec. 27.

General Shunroku Hata, Commander-in-Chief of Japanese troops in Central China, will shortly return to Japan to serve at the Imperial Headquarters and will be succeeded by General Aomura.

Prince Naruhiko Higashikuni who fought in the Peiping-Hankow Railway, Rear-Admiral Eijiro Kondo who operated on the Yangtze and Vice-Admiral Koichi Shiozawa who directed the landing at Bias Bay were all recalled to Japan.

A new group of general officers and flag officers will be appointed to China in view of the stiffening of the Anglo-American front.—International.

PANDAS BOUGHT BY THE ZOO

London, Dec. 27.

The Zoo has bought three of the giant pandas, which arrived from Hongkong aboard the liner Antenor on December 23, for £2,400. The two largest will remain in seclusion till Easter but the nine-month-old "baby" is permitted to receive visitors for three hours daily this week. She is like a huge teddy bear and her manners are gentle and charming When tickled under the chin she puts her paws round the visitor's neck.—Reuter.

Major Floyd-Smith, took many months capturing the pandas in the mountains in Central China.

He also captured some bhurral sheep, a snubnose monkey and a collection of rare pheasants.—Reuter.

SON'S 9,000 MILES DASH TO SICK MOTHER

Mother and son reunited . . . . for the first time in three years. . . after a race half-way across the world. . . . The son is Corporal John Walker, R.A.M.C. While serving in Hongkong he heard Mrs. Walker was dangerously ill at Hoxton (London). The War Office granted him special leave. Corporal Walker got his passage home by working as a male nurse.

Corporal Walker had nearly finished his term in China, and permission for him to come home was cabled following the request of Mr. Ernest Thurtle, M.P., on behalf of Mrs. Walker's friends. Travelling on the German liner Gneisenau, however, he arrived at Southampton—a day sooner than the troopship. "I shall be seeing my mother in the morning," he said. He began twenty-eight days' furlough as soon as he went ashore.

FOREIGN AID HEIGHTENS MORALE OF CHINESE

Japanese May Eventually Stage Drive In Northwest

Chungking, December 27.

THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION is turning more and more in China's favour as a result of material and financial assistance accorded her by Great Britain and the United States, and such assistance from the Powers has further heightened the morale of both officers and men of the Chinese Army, stated Gen. Chen Cheng, Vice-Minister of War and Commander-in-Chief of the 9th War Area, in an interview.

Replying to a question as to what would be Japan's present military objective, Gen. Chen said for the present Japan may devote her naval forces on the southwestern China coast and her army units for an eventual drive in the northwest.

However, whether or not such a drive to the northwest will materialize, Gen. Chen said, the Chinese have made adequate preparations to cope with such an eventuality.

If a drive to the northwest were atttempted, Gen. Chen believed, the Japanese would either follow the Lunghai Railway or the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway. However, he did not believe Japan's military strength was adequate for the present.

Gen. Chen said that in order to make possible a drive to the northwest the Japanese army in North China must first liquidate the Chinese guerilla units in Shansi province, which task would appear impossible judging from the failure of the repeated Japanese attempts to "mop up" the Chinese partisans, including their most recent much-publicized campaign in the Wutai mountainous region in northeast Shansi.

JAPANESE STRENGTH

Gen. Chen revealed that the approximate strength of the Japanese forces in Shanghai and Suiyuan does not exceed five divisions at present.

What about the possibility of a Japanese drive to the Southwest? Gen. Chen thought it would be beset with greater difficulties. First Japan would have to reckon with consequences arising from international complications.

Granted that Japan would pay no heed to international complexity, Gen. Chen emphasized, she would find China's armed forces in that part much more formidable than they thought and a resistance much more harder to batter down than in their unexpectedly easy drive on Canton. It would not be a task that could be undertaken by three or five divisions of troops.

"High officers of the Chinese army," Gen. Chen revealed, "are now in charge of the military preparations in the southwest with headquarters at Kweilin, the provincial capital of Kwangsi."—Central News.

CZECHS TO LEAVE LEAGUE

Paris, Dec. 27.

That Czechoslovakia intends to announce her resignation from the League of Nations in the near future, it is reported by "Le Matin."—Transocean.

MORE JAPANESE TROOPS FOR MANCHURIA

Chungking, Dec. 27.

Indicative of the continued strain of Japanese-Soviet relations, Japanese troop movements in North China continue.

According to a dispatch from Tientsin, about 50 Japanese military trains passed through the city en route to Manchuria between December 19 and 24. Large contingents and quantities of military supplies, including tanks and armoured cars, were sent by these trains.

It is learned that the Japanese are planning to commandeer Chinese trucks in Tientsin for military use in Manchuria.—Central News.

DEATH OF M. VANDERVELDE

FORMER BELGIUM PRIME MINISTER

Brussels, Dec. 27.

The death has occurred of M. Emile Vandervelde, President of the Belgian Labour Party, after a brief illness. He was 73 years of age.

M. Vandervelde was educated at Brussels University and from 1918 to 1921 was Minister of Justice. From 1925 to 1927 he was Minister for Foreign Affairs and for a year he was Minister without portfolio after which he became Minister of Public Health, Belgium, 1936-37.

He was a former Prime Minister of Belgium. He was a great friend of China and visited the Far East several years ago. He married Dr. Jeanne Emile Vandervelde Beeckman.

The late M. Vandervelde's publications included Le Parti Ouvrier Belgi (1885-1925), Le Marxisme a't il fait faillite, 1928, and Ke Pays d'Israel in 1929.—Reuter and Special.

In the World of Sports

CHINA OVERWHELMS SCOTLAND IN "HERALD" SOCCER MATCH

LEE WAI-TONG MISSES PENALTY: INJURED IN LAST MINUTE OF INTERNATIONAL FIXTURE

THE "SUNDAY HERALD" INTERNATIONAL CHARITY CUP football match between China and Scotland attracted a very large crowd to the military enclosure at Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon and, after a splendid game, the Chinese ran out winners by four goals to nil of which Lee Wai-tong claimed no less than three.

AN INJURY TO HIS RIGHT LEG in the last minute of the game necessitated Lee Wai-tong being carried off the field for medical attention. The famous centre-forward was accidentally kicked by Proctor, one of the Scottish defenders, who was making a clearance. There was bleeding when Lee was assisted off the field. His knee was subsequently bandaged.

Lee, after a rather subdued first half in which he missed a penalty kick, gave a rousing display in the second half when he netted two beautiful goals.

The Chinese deserved their win as they were much quicker in their passing than the Scots who did not open their play enough.

Of a hard working intermediate line Hsu King-sing, of Eastern, played a sterling game at left-half and kept the Scottish right wing well in check.

Lee Tin-sang and Mak Siu-hon were their usual steady selves while Tam Kwan-kon dealt confidently with the shots that came his way.

Yeung Shui-yick and Fung King-cheong combined to perfection on the right flank but Lai Shiu-wing was inclined to be rather wild with his shots at goal. Hau Ching-to, on the left wing, was fast but in the second half both he and Yeung were pulled up on numerous occasions for offside.

HOWLETT'S GAME

Howlett played a clever scheming game in the Scottish attack while Hossack, centre-forward, was a constant source of danger and had to be watched by Lee Tin-sang.

Proctor, in the pivotal berth, played a grand game and fed his forwards well while Brown, a right-half, rendered fine support. Blackburn was the pick of the backs and was responsible for some good clearances under pressure. Duncan, between the sticks, did not appear to be very safe and he could have saved Lee's second goal.

In the first half, China's citadel had two very narrow escapes. On one occasion Hossack's hard drive struck the crossbar while a little later Lee Tin-sang only just managed to kick clear on the goal line. The Chinese then took up the attack and both Fung and Lai went near. A penalty for hands against Blackburn was taken by Lee who sent in a ground shot which Duncan cleared with ease. Towards the interval Lee Wai-tong gave the Chinese the lead.

The Chinese maintained pressure for the greater part of the second half and Lai Shiu-wing netted the second goal from a corner kick by Yeung. A few minutes later Lee Wai-tong scored with a first time shot which Duncan got his hands to but did not hold the ball. Midway through this session Lee Wai-tong obtained the fourth goal for the Chinese with a splendid left leg shot from well outside the area.

Towards the end Scotland tried hard to reduce the deficit but found the Chinese defence on their mettle Leung Wing-chiu putting in trojan work at centre-half.

Mr. R. M. Omar was the referee. The teams were as follows:—

CHINA:—Tam Kwan-kon; Mak Siu-hon and Lee Tin-sang; Lau Hing-choi, Leung Wing-chiu and Hsu King-sing; Yeung Shui-yick, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong, Lai Shiu-wing and Hau Ching-to.

SCOTLAND: — Duncan; Blackburn and Fraser; Brown, Proctor and Beaton; Munro, Ferrier, Hossack, Howlett and Tait.

Home Football On Boxing Day

London, Dec. 27.

Results of matches in the English Football League played yesterday are as follows:—

FIRST DIVISION

*Arsenal	v	Charlton	
Birmingham	2	Middlesbro	1
Blackpool	1	Huddersfield	1
*Bolton	v	Preston	
Brentford	v	Portsmouth	
Everton	2	Derby	2
Grimsby	2	Wolves	4
Leeds	1	Chelsea	1
Manchester U.	3	Leicester	0
Stoke	3	Liverpool	1
Sunderland	1	Aston Villa	5

SECOND DIVISION

Blackburn	1	Bury	0
Bradford	0	Chesterfield	0
Burnley	1	Tottenham	0
Coventry	1	Plymouth	3
*Fulham	v	Wednesday	
*Millwall	v	West Ham	
*Norwich	v	Newcastle	
Notts F.	2	Luton	4
Sheffield U.	5	Southampton	1
Tranmere	1	Manchester C.	9
West Brom.	v	Swansea	

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

*Bournemouth	v	Bristol R.	
Bristol C.	2	Brighton	0
Cardiff	1	Queen's P.R.	0
*Clapton	v	Torquay	
Crystal P.	3	Aldershot	0
Ipswich	5	Mansfield	1
Northampton	2	Port Vale	0
Reading	1	Walsall	1
*Southend	v	Exeter	
Swindon	8	Newport	0
Watford	0	Notts C.	1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Barnsley	1	Accrington	1
Barrow	2	Bradford C.	1
Doncaster	1	Rotherham	1
Gateshead	0	Darlington	2
Halifax	2	Lincoln	0
Hartlepools	2	Chester	5
Hull	3	New Brighton	0
Oldham	0	Stockport	1
Southport	4	Rochdale	1
Wrexham	2	Carlisle	5
York	4	Crewe	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Clyde	2	Falkirk	4
Rangers	3	St. Mirren	0

* Postponed.

† abandoned after 83 minutes owing to fog.—Reuter.

NEW FANLING RECORD

Best Crowd In Five Years

THE BOXING DAY MEETING at Fan'ling was an unqualified success in more ways than one.

First of all the attendance exceeded that at any meeting held in Fanling for the past five years.

The Club only sent 400 tickets to the Railway with the result that many people had to buy their train tickets and then pay for admission to the Race Course.

In the course of an interview with Mr. Kwok Hin-wang, who is now in charge of the Cash Sweeps, the "Daily Press" learned that this was because the Stewards never expected such a large crowd to attend the races.

So far as the sweeps themselves were concerned, there were three "sell outs"—in the third, fourth and fifth races respectively.

A touch of humour was lent to the proceedings when, towards the close of the day, Mr. Kwok walked round the enclosure appealing to the public to go to his rescue—he had run out of loose change and had not sufficient coins to pay out as dividends. Many an "amateur money-changer" responded to the call for help.

YACHT RACE TO MACAO

Seventeen Boats Take Part

The annual sailing race from Hongkong to Macao, held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club over the holidays, was concluded yesterday. The course was over a distance of 70 miles, the boats taking part, together with the finished and corrected times being as follows:—

	Finished	Corr.
Azuma, E1	21.00.10	20.53.25
(Mr. E. B. Lambert).		
La Cigale, E3	D.N.F.	
(Mr. N. V. A. Croucher).		
U. & I., E8	20.56.30	20.39.10
(Mr. C. B. Colls).		
Luana, E9	21.09.29	20.21.41
(Mr. A. L. Shields).		
Typhon, W10	00.22.32	22.24.24
(Lt.-Col. Hindmarsh).		
Wanderer, E16	21.34.70	21.06.02
(Mr. D. W. Wagstaff).		
Penguin, W24	00.34.50	22.52.21
(Major A. C. Johnstone).		
Tyrone, E25	23.47.04	21.53.05
(Mr. B. Herschend).		
Punai, E28	21.59.35	20.32.38
(Mr. G. H. Gandy).		
Tavy II, E29	11.02.50	06.05.19
(W.R. Officer's H.M.S. Tamar).		
Marander, E31	22.00.35	21.38.49
(Mr. S. Berg).		
Highwayman, E32	00.18.15	22.37.25
(Capt. C. B. Barry, R.N.).		
Norena, E37	20.12.03	21.02.51
(Mr. P. C. M. Sedgwick).		
Red Rover, E39	23.22.10	22.34.34
(Capt. R. W. Bateman).		
Dorinda, E41	00.51.50	22.50.18
(Mr. J. G. B. Dewar).		
Yanthey, O2	21.56.55	21.28.01
(Eng. Capt. A. K. Dibley, R.N.).		
Curlew, W12	22.46.35	20.59.39
(Capt. Tracey).		

CLUB BEAT ARMY BY TEN WICKETS

Godby And Weedon Bat Well In Triangular Tournament

By TAC

Determined batting by their middle batsmen and two tail-enders saved the Army from an innings defeat in their Triangular Tournament match against Hongkong Cricket Club, which ended yesterday, but none the less they suffered a crushing defeat, losing by ten wickets.

At the end of the first day's play on Monday the Club had compiled the big total of 293 and had dismissed seven of their opponents for only 86 runs. Yesterday morning they shot out the last three men for an addition of only 28, Captain Lawrence, who was not out with four runs overnight, claiming 17 of these.

Faced with the task of getting 179 runs to save an innings defeat, the Army started disastrously. Captain Lawrence, who opened with Driver Logan, had the misfortune to be literally bumped out by the first ball he received from Longfield, which, pitching on the leg, kicked sharply, with the result that the ball went off Lawrence's bat into Ride's hands in the direction of third man.

Thereafter the Army innings followed a see-saw course, but when Capt. Godby and Lt. Weedon got together things looked up for them. Godby scored 65 in a capital knock, in which, on account of the state of the match, he was more subdued than usual. Weedon supported him well with 27 and later Pte. Hatfield, in a comparatively unusual role, rattled up 32, remaining undefeated at the end.

Set 20 runs to get to win, Club knocked them off without loss.

LONGFIELD'S BUMPERS

In the course of the match Owen-Hughes, Beck and McLellan

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HOME RUGBY RESULTS

London, Dec. 27.

The following are the results of the Rugby Union matches played yesterday:—

Headingley	13	Manchester	11
Leicester	6	Birkenhead P.	3
Llanelly	15	London Welsh	5
Sale	9	Kendal	3
Aberavon	0	Bridgend	0
Neath	21	Abertillery	6
Newport	6	Watsonians	3
Swansea	14	U'sity A.U.	6

—Reuter.

STUDENTS' HOCKEY

The following will represent the Muslim Students' team against the Sikh Students in a friendly hockey match on the Radio Sports ground at 4 p.m. on Thursday:—

Kamis Bachoo; Nazir Ahmed, Sirdar Ahmed; Mukijan, Aziz Ahmed, E. Yusuf; Abdul Rahim, Khan Mohommad, M. Afzal (Captain), Sarwar Khan and S. K. Khan. Reserves: Ayoob Khan and A. S. Din.

Sporting Fixtures

TO-DAY

SHOOTING. — Weekly Practice Shoot (Kowloon City Ranges). 2 p.m.

TO-MORROW

BADMINTON.—Y.M.C.A. Badminton, in the West Lounge, 8.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 30

BADMINTON.—Y.M.C.A. Badminton, in the West Lounge, 8.30 p.m.

BRIDGE.—Y.M.C.A. Women's Section Bridge Class, 10 a.m.

SATURDAY, DEC. 31

RUGBY.—Club v Navy (Club Ground), 4 p.m.

CYCLING CLUB HOLDS LONG DISTANCE RUN

Chinese Members Take First Three Places

The Hongkong Cycling Club's long-distance training ride on Boxing Day was very well supported, and results under the circumstances were much better than expected. During the 69 miles journey, which commenced from the Alhambra Theatre at 10 a.m. three trials were held, under difficult conditions owing to a strong cold head-wind.

The Castle Peak road was chosen on leaving Kowloon, and a 2 miles trial including Laichikok Hill served as a muscle-loosener. The following returned the three fastest times: Chan Kwoon-lam 12 mins. 11 secs., Kam Yu wah 12 18., and Wm. Choy 12.55. Chan was winner of the recent Tourist Time Trial, and once again was mounted on an ordinary hired machine. Kam and Choy were 5th and 3rd respectively in the Tourist event.

The next unpaced trial was over 5 miles of hilly going, the riders gaining the same places, though Choy suffered a delay of over 2 mins. through a displaced chain. Result: Chan Kwoon lam 19.23., Kam Yu-wah 20.26., and Wm. Choy 22.47.

Refreshments were served at Sanhui before the party subsequently continued, and a further halt was made for tiffin at Unlong, after assistance had been rendered to a local cyclist (by towing him for two miles) whose free wheel had fallen to pieces!

ANOTHER TRIAL

Leaving Unlong another trial followed over an 8 miles course, in which placings of the three leaders were reversed, Wm. Choy being easily fastest in 33.45., with Kam Yu-wah second in 36.41. and Chan Kwoon-lam third in 36.42.

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Choy gained 3 mins. on the others in the first 6 miles, their pace subsequently being equal. The Club's trainer, H.A.G. Keates, took part in the trials, using a fixed gear of 74," and returned the following times: 2' miles (hill-climb) 8.59., 5 miles 16.28., and 8 miles 27.35.

BORDER VILLAGE

The party then rode on to Sheungshui, thence via Fanling to Shataukok, reaching the border village at 3.05 p.m. after a glimpse of the Kwanti Races en route. A break for refreshments detained riders some 30 mins., and on resumption, to demonstrate their stamina and fitness, the Chinese run leaders set a brisk pace, covering 13 miles in the hour and gaining Shatin non-stop in 85 mins., a distance of 18½ miles. The pace was maintained over the final section to Kowloon, and the Alhambra Theatre reached at 5.50 p.m.

ANNUAL RUN

On Saturday evening the Club will carry out its Annual New

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Radio Programmes

HONG KONG

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"IN TOWN TO-NIGHT" AND OTHER LONDON RELAYS

Dvorak Quintet

12 to 12.20 p.m. Relay of a Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m. Herbert Groh (Tenor) and Orchestre Raymonde.

Song Of The Vagabonds (from "The Vagabond King"—Friml) Only A Rose (from "The Vagabond King"—Friml)—Orchestre Raymonde cond. by G. Walter. Loveliest Woman Of Vienna—Waltz Song (Warden) Moonlight In Venice—Venetian Gondola Song (Hauser)—Herber E. Groh (Tenor) with Orchestra (Sung in German). Manhattan Moonlight (Alter) Manhattan Serenade (Alter)—Orchestre Raymonde. Because I Love You, Bella Lucia! (Schute) You Lovely Ladies (Siegel)—Herbert E. Groh (Tenor) with Orchestra (Sung in German). Love Is My Life—Waltz (Strauss-arr. G. Walter)—Orchestre Raymonde with Vocal Quintette.

10 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m. Beethoven—Trio In D Major, Op.70, No. 1.

Hephzibah Menuhin (Piano), Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and Maurice Eisenberg (Cello).

1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcement.

1.40 p.m. Dance Music and Variety.

Quick Step—Avalon—Val Rosing and His Swing Stars. Vocal—Parisian Pierrott (Coward) — Noel Coward acc. by The Phoenix Theatre Orch. London cond. by Cligord Greenwood. Dance Orch. — Sophisticated Lady—Slow Fox-Trot Jealous — Fox-Trot — Nat Gonella and His Georgians with vocal refrain. Humorous — John Henry's Ghost—John Henry assisted by Gladys Horridge. Dance Orch.—La Comparsa—Cuban Dance, Bellita—Rumba—Don Barreto and His Cuban Orch. Vocal—Alice Delysia Memories—Alice Delysia (Soprano) with Orchestra.

2.15 p.m. Close down.

6 p.m. Frank Titterton (Tenor) and New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Raymond—Overture (Thomas)—New Light Symphony Orchestra. Asthore (Trotere) Tosti, Beauty's Eyes—Frank Titterton (Tenor) with Fred Hartley and His Quintet. Buffoon (Confrey) — New Light Symphony Orchestra. Songs That Live Forever (Lockton, Longstaffe)—Frank Titterton (Tenor) with Fred Hartley and His Quintet. Cavatina (Raff) Solemn Melody (Davies)—New Light Symphony Orchestra.

6.30 p.m. Wilfred Thomas, Elsie and Doris Waters and London Piano-Accordeon Orchestra.

Good Evening! Pretty Lady (Damerell and Evans)—London Piano-Accordeon Band directed by Scott Wood. Gert, Daisy And The Knot-Hole, The Coronation Girls—Elsie and Doris Waters (Comediennes) with Orchestra. Where The Mountains Meet The Sea (Butler and Tilsley) Remembrance (Green and Meln)—The London Piano-Accordeon Band directed by Scott Wood. Songs Of The Sandman—Wilfrid Thomas (Baritone) with Piano accomp. One Night In Monte Carlo (Sherman and Lewis) There'll Never be Another You (Harry Woods)—London Piano-Accordeon Band directed by Scott Wood.

6.58 p.m. Closing local Stock Quotations.

7 p.m. Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Your Heart And Mine Keep A Twinkle In Your Eye—Billy Cotton and His Band with Vocal Chorus. Fox-Trots — Blue Danube Swing Night Ride—Eddie Carroll and His Swingphonic Orchestra. Slow Fox-Trot—Once In A While Waltz—Giannina Mia (film "Firefly")—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra. Tangos—Viejos Tiempos Condena—Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro. Fox-Trots—Slipping Through My Fingers It's Love Again—Lew Stone and His Band.

7.30 p.m. London Relay—"For What We Have Received."

A Gastronomical Guide for Gullible Gourmands — Incorporating Expert Advice on the Pleasures of the Table and Under It. By A.K. Hamilton Jenkin. Produced by John Chestle.

8 p.m. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. Mozart—Quintet in C Major, K.515.

Pro Arte Quartet and Alfred Hobday (2nd Viola).

8.40 p.m. Excerpts from Mozart's "The Magic Flute."

In diesan heil'gen Hallen—Strienz. Seid uns zum zweiten Mal willkommen—Beilke, Spletter, Berglund. Ach, ich fuhl's, es ist verschwunden — Lemnitz. O Isis und Osiris, welche Wonne!—Chorus. Soll ich dich, Teurer, nicht mehr sehn? — Lemnitz, Strienz, Roswaenge — and Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sir Thomas Beecham.

9 p.m. London Relay—"Empire Exchange."

Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and Colonies.

9.15 p.m. Paderewski at the Piano.

Variations In F Minor (Haydn). Mazurka In A Flat Major, Op.59, No. 2 (Chopin); Mazurka In D Major, Op.33, No. 2 (Chopin).

9.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m. Songs by Gigli (Tenor).

It is You (Sandoval)—(Sung in Spanish) with Orchestra. Say you will not forget (Furno-de Curtis) Mille Cherubini In Coro (Senatra-Schubert-Melichar)—(Sung in Italian) with Orchestra.

10 p.m. London Relay—"In Town To-night."

Introducing unusual stories from every walk of life, flashes from the news of the week, and "Standing on the Corner" (interviews with the man in the street). Produced by C.F. Meehan.

10.30 p.m. Dvorak—Quintet in A Major, Op.81.

Artur Schnabel and The Pro Arte Quartet.

11 p.m. Close down.

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H.K. Time

a.m.
10.00—Recorded Music (A).
10.20—Wheat and Grain Reports (A).
10.40—"At Home and Abroad." (A).
11.10—Luncheon Music (A).
11.30—Sheffield Shield Cricket: South Australia v. Queensland (A).

p.m.
3.20—Tiny Tots' Session (A).
4.00—"Canada Speaks." Accounts of life and work in Canada by a lumberman (D1).
4.15—"Monologues in Melody," with Florence Oldham at the piano (D1).
4.25—"Macabre." Uncanny stories overheard over the fireside (D1).
4.45—Sporting News and Notes (A).
5.10—"Yuletide in Fuggleston St. Joseph." (D1).
5.25—Commentary On News (A).
5.40—"Penal stations of Old Van Diemen's Land." (A).
5.50—News (D1).
6.00—Programme by the Tasmanian Studio Orchestra (A).
6.45—"Christmas Picture Book." (D2).
7.30—"For What We Have Received." (D2).
7.35—"Santa Claus of Christmas Creek." (A).
8.00—The BBC Northern Orchestra. (D2).
8.05—Harry Bloom's Orchestra (A).
9.00—"Empire Exchange." (D2); Recorded Feature (A).
9.15—"Melody and Rhythm," with Martini and his Music (D2)
9.20—News Brevities (A).
9.30—News (D2).
10.00—"In Town To-night." (D3).
10.30—Leonardi and his Wiener Orchestra with Renee Bar., baritone (D3).
11.00—The BBC Empire Orchestra (D3).
12.00—News (D3).

a.m.
12.20—"Monologues in Melody," with Harold Scott at the Piano (D3).
2.40—"World Affairs." Talk by H. Wickham Steed. (D3).

D1—Daventry, Trans. 1
DII—Daventry, Trans. II
DIII—Daventry, Trans. III
HI—Holland-India
A—Australia

NEWS ABOUT THE SERVICES

LONDON GAZETTE

FRIDAY, DEC. 9

ADMIRALTY, DEC. 7.
R.N.

Vice-Admiral Sir Gerald C. Dickens, K.C.V.O., C.B., C.M.G., placed on the Retd. List (Nov. 29). Consequent thereon:—Rear-Admiral J. A. Edgell, C.B., O.B.E., has been promoted to be Vice-Admiral in His Majesty's Fleet from the same date.

Vice-Admiral J. A. Edgell, C.B., O.B.E., placed on the Retd. List (Nov. 30). Consequent thereon:—Rear-Admiral L. D. I. Mackinnon, C.B. C.V.O., has been promoted to be Vice-Admiral in His Majesty's Fleet from the same date

Surg. Lieut. C. P. Collins, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., to be Surg. Lieut.-Comdr. (Dec. 7); Lieut.-Comdr. (retd.) J. F. Steemson to be Comdr. (retd.) (Dec. 1).

DECEMBER 8
N.R.

Lieut. (retd.) E. C. Humphreys to be Lieut.-Comdr. (retd.) with seny. of July 30, 1930.

WAR OFFICE, DEC. 9
REGULAR ARMY
COMMANDS AND STAFF

The follg. relinquish their appts.:—Maj. (local Lt.-Col.) W. A. Lovat-Fraser, C.M.G., O.B.E., 8 Punjab R., as Mil. Attache (G.S.O. 2nd Grade), British Embassy in China, and the local rank of Lt.-Col. (Nov. 17); Capt. J. B. Ashworth, R. Sussex R., as Staff Capt. The British Forces in Palestine and Trans-Jordan (temp.) (Nov. 26).

The follg. appts. are made:—Maj. G. F. H. Stayner, Leicester R., from Staff Capt., 7th Div. (temp.), to be G.S.O. 2nd Grade, The British Forces in Palestine and Trans-Jordan (temp.) (Oct. 26); Maj. C. S. Napier, R.E., from Bde. Maj., 1st Anti-Aircraft Bde., to be Dep. Asst. Dir. of Transportation, War Office (Nov. 28).

CAVALRY

9th L.—Capt. G. H. F. P. Vere-Laurie is restd. to the estabt. (Nov. 1).

15th/19th H.—Capt. G. T. Wright is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Oct. 1).

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

The follg. Majs. are secd. for serv. on the Staff:—R. P. Gatehouse, M.C. (Oct. 10); R. W. Dobbin (Nov. 1).

The date of secondment of Maj. F. R. Wetherfield is Nov. 4 and not as shown in the Gazette of Dec. 2; Maj. E. M. Bolt is restd. to the estabt. (Nov. 5); Captain J. M. Kerr is secd. for serv. on the Staff, and relinquishes the appt. of Adjt. (Oct. 1); Capt. R. E. Crompton is secd. for serv. with the T.A. (Nov. 7) (substituted for the notifn. in the Gazette of Dec. 6).

C.D. and A.A. Branch.—The dates of the promotion of the follg. Lt.-Cols. are antedated as shown:—E. D. Milligan (Oct. 1); G. L. S. Smith, O.B.E., M.C., (Oct. 7).

Maj. G. L. Appleton is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Oct. 10); Maj. F. L. L. F. Roupell, M.C., to be Lt.-Col. (Oct. 22).

CORPS OF ROYAL ENGINEERS

Maj. A. J. L. Whyte is cashiered by sentence of a General Court Martial (Dec. 5).

FOOT GUARDS

Gren. G'ds.—Lt. C. M. F. Deakin is secd. for serv. with the T.A. (Nov. 23).

C. G'ds.—2nd Lt. C. G. F. Bryan resigns his commn. (Dec. 10).

I. G'ds.—Maj. J. F. Ross is secd. for serv. on the Staff. (Oct. 18).

INFANTRY

The Buffs.—Lt. F. H. Howard, M.C., is secd. for serv. under the Colonial Office (Nov. 12).

R. North'd. Fus.—Capt. G. P. Hobbs to be Adjt. vice Capt. R. C. Stockley (Sept. 1); Capt. H. S. Flower is secd. for serv. as an Adjt. T.A. (Nov. 29).

Leicester R.—Maj. J. G. Herring-Cooper retires on ret. pay (Dec. 10).

Green Howards.—Lt. A. Graham is secd. for serv. under the Air Ministry (Nov. 12).

Lan. Fus.—Lt. S. J. R. Macnamara to be Capt. (Dec. 10).

K.O.S.B.—Lt. A. P. W. Hope is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Oct. 23); 2nd Lt. L. G. S. Sanderson is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Oct. 23).

Cameronians.—Capt. R. G. Collingwood is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Sept. 29).

E. Lan. R.—Capt. J. R. Thatcher to be Adjt. vice Lt. R. V. Russell (Nov. 5); Lt. R. V. Russell is secd. for serv. on the Staff, India (Nov. 12).

D.C.L.I.—Capt. R. P. H. Burbury is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Sept. 29).

D.W.R.—Lt. R. de la H. Moran to be Adjt. vice Capt. R. N. H. C. Bray (Dec. 8).

S. Stafford R.—2nd Lt. R. L. Hargroves, from Supp. Res. of Off., S. Stafford R., to be 2nd Lt. (Dec. 10).

P.W. Vols.—Capt. C. V. Lane to be Maj. (Aug. 1).

North'd. R.—2nd Lt. J. C. Denny is secd. whilst holding a spec appt. (Nov. 5).

Manch. R.—Capt. A. L. Alderton to be Maj. (Dec. 10).

Camerons.—Lt. D. M. Geddes, M.C., is secd. for serv. under the Colonial Office (Nov. 11).

A. and S.H.—Maj. G. A. C. Macnab is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Oct. 12).

HONGKONG-SINGAPORE ROYAL ARTILLERY

The name of Jemadar (1st Grade), now Subadar (2nd Grade) Daulat Shah is as now shown, and not as in the Gazette of Nov. 18.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Short Service Commission.—The appt. of Lt. S. Ward is antedated to June 1, 1937, under the prov. of Art. 36, Royal Warrant for Pay and Promotion, 1931, but not to carry pay and allces. prior to Dec. 1, 1937; Lt. S. Ward to be Capt. Dec. 1, with seny. June 1.

STAFF FOR ROYAL ENGINEER SERVICES

Col. (C.I. of W.) S. W. Harrison, F.S.I., retires on ret. pay on account of ill-health (Nov. 25).

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE

The follg. Staff Nurses to be Sisters (Oct. 30):—Miss M. C. Barnes, Miss C. A. M. Cook, Miss C. E. Saunders.

Provl. Staff Nurse Miss C. T. de Rouffignac is confirmed in her appt.

UNATTACHED LIST FOR INDIAN ARMY

The follg. from Res. of Air Force Off., to be Sec. Lts. (Nov. 5):—Flight Lt. W. J. H. Ekins, Flying Off. G. E. Agard-Butler.

ESTABLISHMENTS

Small Arms Sch.—Maj. G. H. Bull, Gren. G'ds, to be Chief Instr. Hythe Wing (Dec. 1); Capt. J. C. R. Eley, Suffolk R., to be Instr. Netheravon Wing (Dec. 1).

R.A.O.C. Sch. Of Instrn.—Maj. (O. O. 1st Cl.) F. L. P. Jones, ret. pay (late R.A.O.C.) to be Instr. (temp.) (Dec. 1).

The follg. Lts. R.A.O.C., to be Instrs. (Dec. 1):—(O.M.E. 4th Cl.) B. S. Escritt, B.A., (A.O.M.E.) O. G. Trevithick, (A.O.M.E.) C. T. Morris.

Small Arms Inspn. Dept.—Maj. O. A. Watts, Suffolk R., to be Asst. Inspr. (Nov. 30).

MEMORANDA

Maj. (local Lt.-Col.) C. Mc. I. S. Bruce, O.B.E., M.C., Lincoln R., relinquishes the local rank of Lt.-Col. on ceasing to comd the Malay Regt. (Nov. 19); Maj. F. J. Jebens, M.C., h.p., late The Queens' R., retires on ret. pay (Dec. 10); Capt. H. R. Hildreth, M.B.E., Seaforth, is granted the local rank of Maj. while empld. with the Trans-Jordan Frontier Force (Sept. 1); W. H. Williamson, M.C. (late Capt. R.F.A., Spec. Res.) after completion of a period of serv. in the ranks of the T.A., is granted the rank of Capt. (Oct. 28).

ROYAL NAVY

The battleship Ramillies is ordered to recommission for service in the 1st Battle Squadron, Mediterranean Fleet, on February 2, and to leave for her station about the end of the month. She will take the place of the battle-cruiser Repulse, which has already returned home.

The Ramillies is at present under refit at Devonport, with Commander R. K. Dickson in command. He will be relieved on December 19 by Commander W. R. C. Leggatt, from the Staff College, who will remain on as executive officer when the ship is completed to full crew under the command of Captain H. T. Baillie-Grohman, D.S.O., O.B.E.

VISIT TO NAMESAKE

H.M.S. Liverpool, Captain A. D. Read, which was delivered from the Govan shipyard of the Fairfield Company last month, will pay a visit to the port of Liverpool from January 3 to 10, before leaving for the East Indies Station. She will receive a presentation of plate to mark her association with the city.

ENGINEER OF THE NAIAD

Commander (E) R. W. Marshall has been appointed to the new cruiser Naiad, building by Hawthorn, Leslie and Co., Limited, at Hebburn-on-Tyne. The Naiad is the first of the Dido class of 5,000-ton cruisers, and will be launched within the next few weeks.

GERMAN VISIT TO FALMOUTH

The German battleship Schleswig-Holstein will visit Falmouth from February 23 to 28. Completed in 1908, she is one of the two remaining pre-War battleships in the German Navy, and is employed in the training of cadets.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are made by the Admiralty:—

Cdr.—H. A. Traill, to President for duty with D.A.P., Admiralty (Dec. 6).

Surgn. Lt.-Cdr. (D.).—F. S. Roff, L.D.S. appt. to Ark Royal cancelled; S. L. Harran, L.D.S., appt. to Caledonia cancelled.

Lt. (F./Lt., R.A.F.).—J. Casson, to Vindictive (Dec. 16).

Lt.—J. B. P. Stirling, appt. to Dryad cancelled.

Surgn. Lt. (D.).—W. R. Knott, L.D.S., to Victory for R.N.B. (Dec. 21) and to Ark Royal (Dec. 29).

PROMOTION

Surgn. Lt.-Cdr.—J. C. Currie, L.R.C.P. and S., to rank of Surgn. Cdr. (seny. Dec. 7).

THE ARMY

TERRITORIAL STRENGTH

The figures published regarding the strength of the Territorial Army, based on the November returns, can be supplemented by the knowledge that full strength has been assured by recruiting in the first week of December.

Thus 1938 sees the fulfilment of a campaign to reach full numbers before the new and increased establishment of 1939 is approved.

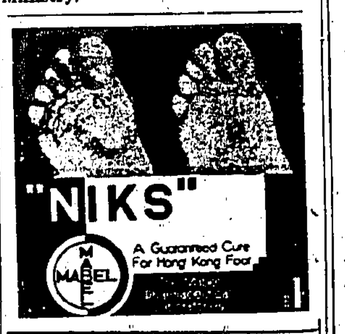
The actual force to take its place in the field with the Regular Army will be round about 100,000, in addition to 90,000 for the anti-aircraft defence, while the remainder will be available for the defence of the coasts and other services.

The 1st and 2nd A.A. Divisions had an establishment of more than 23,000 each, but with the formation of three more A.A. Divisions the new strength has been spread over at a nominal 17,000 establishment each.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

FLEET AIR ARM POSTS

Wing Commander G. S. Oddie, D.F.C., A.F.C., from the command of the R.A.F. station at Boscombe Down, has been appointed to H.M.S. Nelson for duty as Fleet Aviation Officer on the staff of Admiral Sir Charles Forbes, Commander-in-Chief, Home Fleet. He succeeds Wing Commander Albert Durston, A.F.C., who is appointed to the Directorate of Operations (Naval Co-operation) at the Air Ministry.



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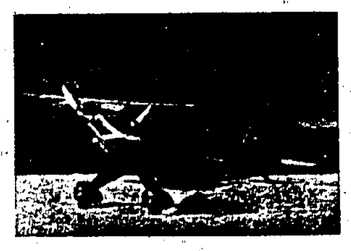

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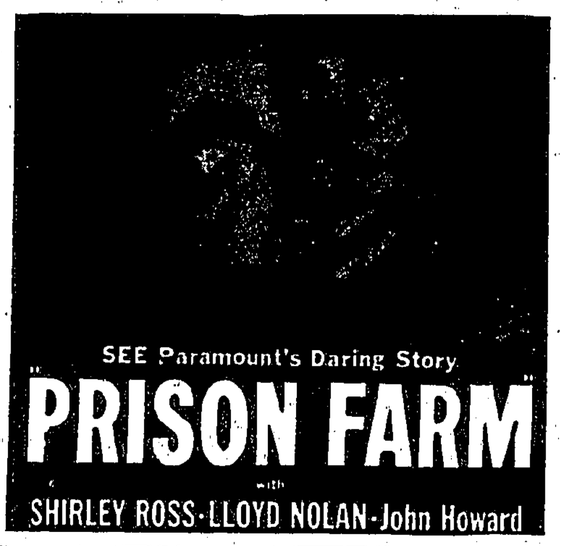

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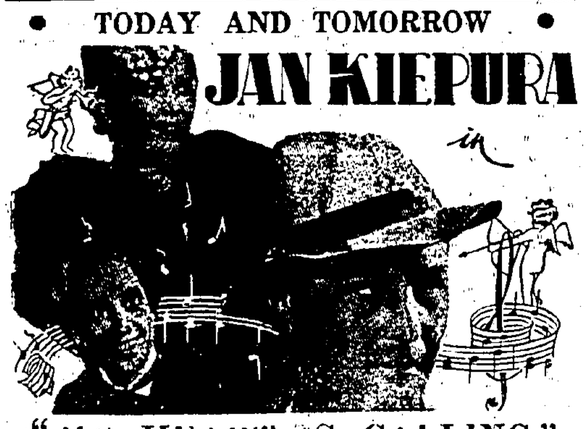

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FRIDAY — A Paramount Picture — Gene Raymond · Olympe Bradna in "STOLEN HEAVEN"

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY

ANNIVERSARIES and HOLIDAYS.—The Holy Innocents.

CINEMAS.—(See Column 3 of this Page)

DANCES. — Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.

ENTERTAINMENTS.—St. Andrew's Wolf Clubs' Christmas Party, 5 p.m.

LECTURES.—First Aid, for Government Servants, at St. John Ambulance Hqrs., 8 p.m.

MAILS.—(See Page 16)

MEETINGS. — Annual, of Asia Lands Ltd., at Mercantile Bank Bldg., 2nd floor, 12.30 p.m.; General Committee, at S. and S. Home, 5.30 p.m.; H.K. Sunday School Assn., in Kowloon Union Church or Hall, 5.45 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Claims against the Estates of David Allen Erskine Bell and Ghulam Mohamed, due: Kowloon Tong Garden City Assn. Drawing of Debentures, at Club House, Waterloo Road, 6.30 p.m.

MOON.—XI Moon, 7th Day.

SOCIAL.—Whist Drive and Tombola in Garrison Sergeants' Mess, Queen's Road, 9 p.m.; Y.M.C.A. Annual Christmas Dinner and Concert for Service Men, 7.30 p.m.

SPORTS.—(See Page 2.)

SUNRISE.—7.01 a.m. SUNSET.—5.48 p.m.

TIDES.—High at 14.21: Low at 07.34 and 18.35.

TO-MORROW

MOON.—XI Moon, 8th Day.

SUNRISE.—7.01 a.m. SUNSET.—5.47 p.m.

TIDES.—High at 13.53 and 23.49: Low at 06.59 and 17.46

Today's Screenings

Hongkong

KING'S: "Swiss Miss"
QUEEN'S: "Breaking The Ice"
ORIENTAL: "Prison Farm"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA: "Women Are Like That"
STAR: "My Heart Is Calling"
MAJESTIC: "Reformatory"

Coming

KING'S: "Mademoiselle Docteur" "Drums"
QUEEN'S: "That Certain Woman" "If I Were King"
ORIENTAL: "The Amazing Dr. Clitterhouse"
ALHAMBRA: "The Road To Reno" "If I Were King"
STAR: "Stolen Heaven"
MAJESTIC: "Test Pilot"

GAOL HORRORS EXPOSED

"Reformatory," Jack Holt's latest picture, which is showing at the Majestic Theatre, is a gripping expose of life in a boys' "reform" school, fast-paced and filled with human interest.

Holt is assistant warden at a men's prison. When the youths at the reformatory rebel at the brutal mismanagement to which they are subjected, he is put in charge of them. Stern but humane, Holt institutes sweeping reforms, and puts the boys on an "honour system."

Vicious opposition develops from contractors who have defrauded the institution and a discharged guard launches an ingenious plot to check Holt's success. Swift, suspenseful drama ensues, with the story moving to a surprising climax.

SWISS MISS

The imimitable, internationally beloved comedians, Laurel and Hardy, make their first co-starring appearance on the screen in more than a year in "Swiss Miss," a musical-comedy extravaganza laid in the Alps, which is now at the King's Theatre.

A cast of striking distinction supports the comedy kings in the new film, considerable interest being given to the fact that the picture marks the debut on the American screen of Della Lind, hailed as one of Europe's most beautiful singing stars.

Also combining a brilliant vocal and acting talent is Walter Woolf King, who has starred in a long list of Broadway musical comedy hits. Eric Blore, who has added gaiety to every picture in which he has appeared, is also featured in the cast of "Swiss Miss."

CATS IN A FILM

Injunction To Restrain Cruelty Charges

An allegation of cruelty to cats in producing the film, "Goldwyn Follies of 1938," was mentioned before Mr. Justice Singleton in the King's Bench Division recently. Samuel Goldwyn, Incorporated, and United Artists Corporation asked for an injunction against Edmund T. Macmichael, J. M. Coubrough and the Bancroft Press, of Hitchin, Herts, restraining them from repeating or publishing an alleged libel.

Mr. G. D. Roberts, K.C., for the plaintiffs, explained that their complaint concerned a pamphlet printed by the Bancroft Press and distributed by the two other defendants.

The Goldwyn organisation produced the film, while United Artists distributed it, said Mr. Roberts. In the pamphlet Macmichael and Coubrough were described as hon. director and hon. treasurer of the Performing and Captive Animals Defence League.

Mr. Macmichael explained that the reason no defence was put forward was that they had said nothing about the plaintiff corporations, and they would have been involved in heavy expense.

"We are prepared to fight Samuel Goldwyn at any time in this matter," he added.

Mr. Justice Singleton granted the injunction and made an order for costs against the defendants.

BLONDIE, FAMOUS COMIC STRIP CREATION, POPULAR ON SCREEN

"Blondie" made her movie debut in Hollywood. She captured the hearts of several thousand people at a local theatre, and endeared herself to an international group of newspaper correspondents representing publications throughout the world.

As a result, "Blondie" will remain in the movies for a long time, and Columbia Studios are already planning the second of the series based on Chic Young's popular comic strip feature.

The concensus of opinion can best be gleaned from this excerpt of one review: "Blondie stepped right out of the comics on to the screen in one of the most refreshing and entertaining comedies of the year."

Pert, vivacious Penny Singleton playing the role of Blondie; nitwitted, stumbling Dagwood portrayed by Arthur Lake; cute, delightful Baby Dumpling enacted by four-year-old Larry Simms; and ragmuffin Daisy, the dog, were all highly lauded.

Chungking Notes

(From Our Own Correspondent)

An A.R.P. test with a hand siren was recently carried out in Chungking, but the results were unsatisfactory. A more powerful machine has been ordered.

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An order has been given by the Generalissimo's headquarters to the effect that no motor vehicle is permitted on the highways in Szechuen before 5 a.m. and after midnight.

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The head office of the Red Cross Association in China was established at Kweiyang on December 11.

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A sum $1,137 was collected from a sale on December 11, under the auspices of the Szechuen Provincial Girl's Association in Chungking.

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Kunming has become a banking centre. The population there has increased from 225,000 to 450,000. A telephone system linking up the whole province has been completed. Great improvements in the Yunnan political and financial administration, and in education and reconstruction have taken place.

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Dr. H. H. Kung, President of the Executive Yuan, has appropriated $50,000 for the relief of the 5,000 refugees in Kweilin.

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The Italian Embassy has moved from No. 7 Tai Chia Hsian to Niu Chia Tor in the new municipal district.

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Mr. Tai Chi-tao, Minister of the Examination Yuan, arrived in Chungking from Chengtu by air recently.

EARL OF DUNDONALD

Estate in England valued at £6,750 (n.p. nil) was left by the 12th Earl of Dundonald, of Lochnell Castle, Argyllshire, Victoria-road, Wimbledon, and Gwrych Castle, Abergele, Denbighshire, late Lieutenant-General, who died in 1395. He left no will.

EDUCATION IN MALAYA

Commission Depart For Home

"Our hope is that our report will be kindly and sympathetically received" stated Sir William McLean, K.B.E., head of the Commission on Higher Education in Malaya, in a farewell interview on board the P. and O. Rawalpindi.

The Education Commission, composed of Sir William and Professor H. J. Channon, left Penang after spending two months in Malaya.

Sir William McLean was reticent on the subject of the report itself, as to when it would be ready. It is expected that it would be completed by the time they reach London, notwithstanding the mass of information they have to sort.

ASCERTAINING FACTS

Sir William stated that they had taken the utmost trouble to ascertain the facts in as wide and detailed a manner as possible in order to obtain all information which might affect the problem of higher education in Malaya, and it would be left to be seen when the report has been published what their views would be.

He hoped that the result of their work would be helpful to the peoples of Malaya, and expressed his grateful thanks to all those who had assisted them in their task, providing them with information. He thanked the Press particularly for the great help and encouragement given.

When asked what he thought of elementary education in Malaya, Sir William evaded an answer by stating that the views of the Commission would be contained in their report. He said he regretted that he was unable to say anything on the subject, however much he wanted. His only hope was that their report would be received kindly and sympathetically.

ORIENTAL THEATRE PROGRAMMES

The management of the Oriental Theatre announces the following programmes for the New Year:—

The Hurricane (January 1st to 3rd), Woman Chases Man (4th and 5th), Beloved Enemy (6th and 7th); Sing, You Sinners (8th and 9th); Flash Gordon (10th only); I Cover the War (11th and 12th) and Little Tough Guy (13th and 14th).

George Kemp 65 a Tottenham Council night watchman, was found dead with multiple injuries on the railway line near his home in Beaconsfield-road, Tottenham.

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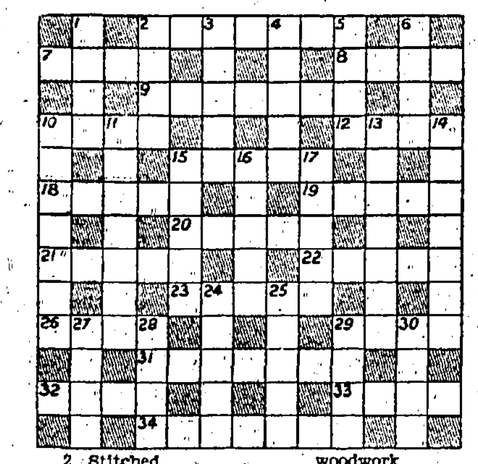

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A new theatre at Mansfield House University Settlement, E. was opened recently by Miss Irene Vanbrugh. It has been designed by Mr. Grey Wornum, the seating capacity is 136, and the stage is fully equipped in modern style.

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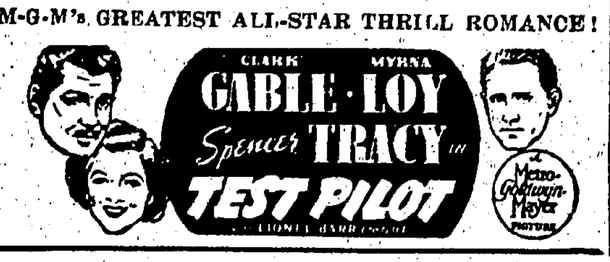

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WOMEN'S PAGE

ENVOY AT MOSCOW

Ambassador Lord Chilton and his wife boarded the Nord Express at Moscow last week. The popular envoy steamed out of professional life." He had reached the retiring age of 62.

His successor is Sir William Seeds (56), who was H.M.'s Ambassador to Brazil from 1930-1935, and has since been one of Britain's two unemployed Ambassadors; the other is Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen, who was wounded last year in China.

Sir William did such tactful work as Minister to Albania when Great Britain abandoned Albania to Mussolini's domination, that he was appointed Inter-Allied High Commissioner for the Rhineland in 1928. As Russia was forgotten at Munich the tact of Sir William Seed at Moscow will be particularly useful.

As a reward he will draw a salary of £2,500, an annual expense allowance of £4,150, and an extra months' annual leave a concession made by the Foreign Office in 1933 to compensate its diplomats for being "marooned" in the Red Capital.

CLINIC OPENED BY PRINCESS ROYAL

Key Would Not Fit

When the Princess Royal opened the new £10,00 health clinic at High Wycombe she found difficulty in fitting the key in the door and was helped by the Mayor, Mr. A. J. Gibbs. Afterwards she planted a tree in commemoration of the opening.

The Princess, who was accompanied by her Lady in Waiting, Miss Sybil Kenyon-Slaney, inspected the High Wycombe and Beaconsfield V. A. D., the British Red Cross Society and the members of the nursing division.

As President of the Royal Air Force Nursing Service, Princess Royal also visited the Princess Mary Hospital at Halton R. A. F. camp, which she opened 11 years ago.

She was received by Air Vice-Marshal P. C. Maltby, Air Officer Commanding No. 24 (training) group, and a guard of honour. She then spent an hour touring the wards and chatting with a number of patients and was afterwards entertained to luncheon by the matron and sisters.

Major and Mrs. H. York Irwine left Shanghai last week in the m.v. Marechal Joffre.

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A LETTER FROM LONDON

SOCIETY AND EVENTS

Princess of Wales violets seem to be this season's most popular choice for evening wear.

I have told you that Princess Bibesco was carrying a muff made of these at the "Katia" premiere—since then I have seen them twined on wire round the low decolltage of an evening frock, worn high in the hair mounted on a Spanish comb, made into necklaces, bracelets, and earrings, and even pinned on to the back of evening gloves and bags.

One Bond Street florist told me that they are making bouquets of the violets in the form of loose sprays, with a red rose or a gardenia in the heart of the spray.

Those loose sprays are then used as a corsage decoration, or clipped into the waist with jewelled brooch.

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Girls of the Royal School of Needlework had their own lingerie show this week

It was held at Sir Philip Sassoon's house on the white marble first floor landing, and the models of dressing-gowns, negligees, and tea gowns were paraded by mannequins against a background of black curtains.

The parade was watched by the Queen, Queen Mary, Princess Helena Victoria, and Princess Marie Louise.

Afterwards there was a "sit-down" tea at a big round table in Sir Philip Sassoon's dining room. Lady Louis Mountbatten, Lady Cholmondeley, and Lady Smith-Dorrien were having tea at the same time as the royal party.

When tea was over the royal guests chose models for themselves.

The Royal Variety Performance at the Coliseum was a grand affair.

The audience looked more like a first-night audience at Covent Garden than "a music-hall audience—beautiful gowns, jewels and flowers filled the house.

The royal box was decorated with red, white, and blue flowers. Other parts of the house were massed with carnations and chrysanthemums, and leading down from the stage on either side of the stalls were great banks of massed flowers.

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The Queen, in a dress of silver lame with an overdress of tulle, looked charming. She wore a diamond tiara in her hair, and a white fur cape over her shoulders.

The Duchess of Kent, accompanied by Viscount and Viscountess Halifax, wore oyster satin with a silver fox cape. She also wore a diamond tiara.

Best part of the show was the end when the "stage was filled with 300 artists—past and present, all singing the Lambeth Walk. Among the 300 were Florrie Forde, Harry Tate, the Vanbrugh sisters, and Sir Seymour Hicks

The King and Queen looked as though they were enjoying themselves—they laughed, and on one or two occasions swayed to the music.

Also in the house that night were Mr. and Mrs. Gary Cooper, who had arrived in England that same afternoon. They seemed to be paying as much attention to the royal box as to the stage, and were very impressed with the charm and sweetness of the Queen.

Joanna Chase

NEWSETTES

Mr. E. Cock, chief manager of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., is returning from home leave by the Empress of Japan on Friday.

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The engagement is announced between Galbraith Armar Lowry-Corry, The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, only son of the late Major and Mrs. A. Lowry-Corry, and Gloria Anthea, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Harker, of Kobe, Japan.

Miss Kathleen Grose, of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., who is now on vacation in Canada, will proceed to England and will return to the Colony by way of Suez.

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Mr. Paul H. Bordwell has been appointed Vice-President of the American President Lines, Ltd., and will have his headquarters in the Orient.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Middleton of Shanghai, arrived in the Colony on Sunday by the s.s. Wing Sang. They will spend a short holiday here.

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Captain Patrick Smith, retired British officer now engaged in lecturing, who has been visiting the battlefronts in China since last summer, is on his way to the United States.

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Mr. C. V. Starr, head of American Asiatic Underwriters, left Shanghai last week for Mukden en route to the United States. Mrs. Starr will join him at Yokohama. They expect to be absent for about a year. The Shanghai office is in the charge of Mr. W. T. Sullivan.

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Colonel (temporary Brigadier) H. C. ("Dreadnaught") Harrison, D.S.O. (at present Commanding the 14th Infantry Brigade), has been appointed Commander, 48th (South Midland) Division, Territorial Army, with the rank of major-general, vice Major General S. S. Butler, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., whose tenure expires on June 1, 1939. Brigadier Harrison was born in February, 1889, and obtained his commission in the Royal Marines in September, 1907. He served during the Great War in German South-West Africa and in France and Belgium. He was awarded the D.S.O. and was twice mentioned in dispatches. Since the War he has held appointments on the General Staff in Malaya and China, at the War Office, and the Staff College, Quetta. He has commanded a brigade in the Northern Command and in Palestine and Transjordan since June 1937.

A Black Outlook

Some disturbing news from New York seems to indicate that gentlemen no longer prefer blondes—at least, not if the gentlemen happen to be members of the International Master Ladies' Hairdressers' Association.

The president of that association has just announced that "a woman with dark hair is a more vibrant, living personality than when she is blonde," and he thoroughly commends the action of Miss Joan Bennett, the film actress, in swapping over from fair hair to the "new, deep black" as now favoured by the master minds of the International Hairdressers.

CHANGING HUES

It will be noticed that the increased vibrations do not seem to have anything to do with the original character of the person concerned, it is the tingling tresses that do the trick. Change those and the character changes to match the hue of the hair. Once upon a time it was, of course, often assumed that in the nature of things the brunette tended to be more vivacious than the statuesque blonde, but the later theory seems to be that the same woman takes on a different character according to the colour that her hair is dyed.

HAIR AND PERSONALITY

That appears to offer remarkable evidence of the triumph of matter over mind; who would have thought that a change of hair dye would produce such remarkable deviations in the personal character of the lass below the locks? But after years and years of diligent lightheadedness it seems rather hard lines on the platinum blondes to be told that "the more vibrant, living personality" belongs to the raven-haired daughter of the night.

However, the International Master Ladies' Hairdressers' Association is evidently more than ready to assist them to go golliwog in pursuit of richer and more violent vibrations.

RIVALS TO CROWN THE QUEEN

When Dr. Lang Lost His Claim

Should the Archbishop of York, in view of the position of the north of England in modern English life, be allowed the privilege of crowning the Queen Consort?

This point is raised by correspondence and documents which appear as an entirely new chapter in the second edition of the biography of "Randall Davidson, Archbishop of Canterbury," by the Bishop of Chichester, Dr. Bell, published recently. (Oxford University Press, 21s).

When King George V. and Queen Mary were crowned in 1911 the present Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Lang, was Archbishop of York. He then put forward "Some weighty reasons" why the Archbishop of York should be allowed to crown the Queen. The suggestion was disallowed

At the Coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Dr. Lang, who had then become Archbishop of Canterbury, followed time-honoured practice and crowned both the King and Queen.

It would appear that the Archbishop of York based his proposal that he should be allowed to to crown the Queen on the ground that at the Coronation of King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra his predecessor, Dr. Maclagan, crowned the Queen.

This is the only occasion since the Norman Conquest on which an Archbishop of York has crowned the Queen Consort.

"IN HIS RUGGED WAY"

When Dr. Lang made his request in 1911, it was not based on any ancient rights of the See. He pointed to the immense increase in the importance of the North of England.

Dr. Davidson, in a reply to Dr. Lang, said: "I share your view that our honoured predecessors both in North and South, muddled this business sadly, and that their arrangement was such as inevitably to bequeathe a legacy of difficulty.

"My belief—though I have no direct evidence—is that dear Temple (Archbishop of Canterbury when Dr. Maclagen was Archbishop of York) who in his rugged way disregarded, or despised history, tradition or precedent, has been misled as to the facts. . . But most certainly it ought to have been made clear at the time. We must see that it is made publicly clear soon by some official pronouncement . . . The usages of feudal times don't fit well into a democratic age."

On March 25, 1911, the following official statement was issued:

"In regard to the arrangements for the Coronation Service we are authorised to state that the King has decided that the Archbishop of Canterbury shall, in accordance with conclnuous precedent from early times, crown the Queen as well as the King."

Soon To Marry

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—

Mr. Yung Koon-ng, business manager, Arts de Luxe, Nos. 51-53 Johnston Road, and Miss Ruth Chinn, living at No. 13 Caroline Hill Road, first floor; Mr. William Wong, student, of No. 29 Kimberley Road, and Miss Rosie Yu, of No. 63 Bonham Road; Mr. Li Yuk-tin, teacher of No. 2 Seymour Road, and Miss Lee Heung, of the same address.

SILK STOCKINGS IN 15 SHADES

Faced with the alternative, fewer shades for silk stockings or higher prices, the Hosiery Dyers Association has decided to cut down the number of shades from 600 to fifteen.

This is revealed by a standard colour card for women's medium and lower grade pure silk, rayon, and wool mixture stockings issued by the association.

"Carefree," approaching flesh colour, is the lightest. Others, in light reddish brown, are "popcorn," "burnt nude" and "tanglo." The darkest shades are "mist beige," "graphite," a leaden grey, and "dark gunmetal."

WEDNESDAY'S MENU

BREAKFAST

Pomelo
Cereal
Pancakes with Honey
Sausage and Bacon
Coffee

LUNCHEON

Barley Soup
Waldorf Salad
Turkey Hash
Green Peas
Potatoes au Gratin
Creamed Turnips
Fruit and Nut Cake
Tea

DINNER

Tomato Juice
Clear Soup
Asparagus Salad
Fillet Steak
Mushrooms and Onions
Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Spinach
Ice Cream and Petit Fours
Coffee
Nuts and Raisins

DIVORCE REFORM

SUGGESTION BY SINGAPORE JUDGE

A suggestion that the Singapore Bar Committee should press for a revision of the draft petitions for divorce, which petitioners had to fill in, was made by Mr. Justice Pedlow in the Singapore High Court recently when the divorce petition of Dorothy M. Van Cuylenburg against John Bertram Van Cuylenburg came up for hearing.

The petition had not complied with the rules laid down and was adjourned sine die.

The judge said that the rules had to be followed irrespective of whether they were reasonable or not and the court was left with no discretion.

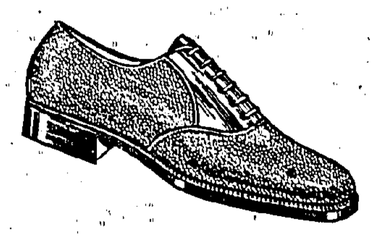
ACTION POSSIBLE

He had mentioned the point to the Chief Justice and it was possible that steps might be taken to alter the form.

In the meantime he felt that the only safe thing to do was to follow closely the requirements of rule two of the Ordinance.

Mr. N. Leicester, who appeared for the petitioner, mentioned that the alleged adultery took place in Singapore this year, after the petitioner and respondent had lived apart.

The petition, he said, was based on the adultery of the respondent.



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CHRISTMAS BOYCOTT SUCCESSFUL

MOVEMENT AGAINST JAPANESE GOODS MAY LAST FOR MONTHS

Kweilin, December 27.

Through world wide appeals the International Peace Campaign has succeeded in persuading many people to refrain from buying Japanese goods for Christmas on the ground that the proceeds of the sale "will go to help Japan in the conduct of her war in China," an official of the China Branch of the I.P.C. stated, to-day.

A large part of Japan's foreign trade consists in the export of toys, cheap textiles, habe dashery, imitation jewellery, china and glassware, light electric goods, stationery and miscellaneous novelties, and for their sale she is largely dependent on the Christmas trade, said this official.

Encouraging results have been achieved by the Christmas Boycott Campaign owing to the sympathies of people in Europe and America and renewed efforts of the International Peace Campaign have brought "a further stimulus to the movement." It is believed that the effect will not be confined to the Christmas season, for the encountering by dealers of such strong antipathy to Japanese goods will affect the purchase of goods from Japan for many months.

To carry on its relief work for victims of aggression, one resolution in the Campaign's Paris meeting is the setting up of a peace hospital in China. The representative added that work on this hospital is progressing, and all national committees which enjoy the co-operation of relief organisations have undertaken to raise funds for this project. In Great Britain, the peace hospital project is being conducted by the China Campaign Committee.

Appeals and publicity for these two objectives are conducted in this country through the China Branch, which has offices in Chungking and Hengyang. In the near future, activities will be extended to South-east China. Headquarters of the International Peace Campaign is in Wilson Palace, Geneva, with Lord Robert Cecil as president.—International.

SOO SIH-WEN RELEASED

Shanghai, Dec. 27.

Mr. Soo Sih-wen, former puppet mayor of Shanghai, was released by the Japanese authorities following a charge involving opium to the value of $232,500. The arrest was instigated through Colonel Saimura, of the Special Service Section.

A cargo of dangerous drugs was shipped to Shanghai last June by a group of Japanese connected with puppet municipal regime, who did not make a report to their superiors concerning this deal. All these Japanese were arrested for illicit smuggling, but Soo was exonerated.

The discovery of this deal occurred when the puppet municipality was removed from Pootung to Kiangwan.—International.

AMERICANS HAVE WARM CHRISTMAS

New York, Dec. 27.

The United States was deprived of its traditional white Christmas by unseasonable warm weather marked by a heavy toll in life in fires, accidents and drownings.

Traffic accidents alone caused no less than 263 deaths.

An extremely severe cold wave is now said to be on the way from Canada.—Reuter.

PARIS SNOW-COVERED

Paris, Dec. 27.

The white Christmas in France caused more people than usual to celebrate the festival instead of reserving themselves for the traditional New Year festivities.

Shops did a brisk trade in holly, mistletoe and Christmas trees.

The streets of Paris were snow-covered, and skis and sleighs appeared in the capital, in the Forest of Fontainebleau and on the slopes near Engnien.

Hotels and winter sports resorts were crowded.

Soldiers manning the Maginot Line were regaled with traditional Christmas dinners in underground forts and rest camps.

The weather now seems to be turning warmer.—Reuter.

GERMANS CELEBRATE

Berlin, Dec. 27.

Christmas in Germany was as white as a traditional German Christmas is expected to be.

Lighted Christmas trees were visible in almost every window.

Housewives struggled gamely to provide traditional Christmas fare in spite of the shortage of eggs, butter, nuts, almonds, oranges and other foods, and at concentration camps alone did Christmas pass without celebration.

Thousands spent the holidays skiing and skating.

Herr Hitler, after spending Christmas Eve with old party comrades at Munich, passed Christmas Day alone at Berchtesgaden.

Field-Marshal Goering and Herr von Ribbentrop, the Foreign Minister, were with their families at their country homes, while Dr. Goebbels, the Propaganda Minister, was in bed with an internal chill. It is stated that he is improving.—Reuter.

THE KING AND TOC H

Message From Duke Of Windsor

Messages from the King and from the Duke of Windsor were cheered to the echo by 7500 people at the Toc H birthday festival at the Royal Albert Hall recently.

The King's message read: "The Queen and I send our sincere thanks to the members of Toc H for the kind and loyal message which has reached us from the birthday festival. As your patron, I am glad to think that Toc H continues to provide the youth of the Empire with material aid, while it also shows that voluntary service for others is as important in building the character of each individual as it is in improving the general lot of the community. We pray that your work may prosper throughout the coming year."

The Duke of Windsor's message was: "Please give my best wishes to all assembled for birthday festival in Albert Hall.—Edward.""

DARKENING WORLD

Lord Clarendon in a speech said that the world had recently passed through an acute crisis, being saved by the bold action of one man.

"Looking forward," he added, "I am afraid we cannot say as yet that there is no cause for anxiety."

The Rev. P. B. Clayton, founder-padre, said: "The task of Toc H is beginning in a darkening world."

The announcement that there was a message from the Duke of Windsor was received with loud applause, and after it had been read there was cheering and stamping for fully two minutes.

After the impressive Toc H ritual from "darkness into light," the Earl of Clarendon lit the lamps of sixty-seven new branches.

THIRTEENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING

PHOTOGRAPH taken at the thirteenth extra race meeting held at Happy Valley. (Photo by Leica).

FULL HONOURS AT FUNERAL OF SEAMAN

Full naval honours were accorded at the funeral, which took place at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday, Able Seaman Derrick William Farr, of H.M.S. Dainty.

The Rev. D. Vaughan Edwards, Chaplain of the Royal Naval Dockyard, officiated at the graveside, and a large number of officers and men from various H.M. Ships were present.

Able Seaman Farr, a native of Borden, Hampshire, was sent to hospital on December 12 following an injury sustained in a boxing contest on December 9, and died on Monday night.

The funeral procession, which started from the Royal Naval Hospital, was headed by a firing party, following by a band composed of Royal Marines from H.M.S. Kent.

The coffin was placed on a gun carriage drawn by the deceased's shipmates.

Following the burial service, a bugler from the Royal Marines sounded the "Last Post."

MANY WREATHS

Wreaths were sent by mother and father, His Shipmates, No. 5 Mess, H.M.S. Dainty, The Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Men of China Fleet at Hongkong, The "Torpedo Party," Captain and Officers of H.M.S. Dainty, Shipmates of No. 1 Mess, H.M.S. Dainty, Shipmates of No. 2 Mess, H.M.S. Dainty, Shipmates of No. 3 Mess, H.M.S. Dainty, Shipmates of No. 4 Mess, H.M.S. Dainty, Shipmates of No. 5 Mess, H.M.S. Dainty, Chief and P.O.'s Mess of H.M.S. Dainty, Capt. and Officers and Ship's Company of H.M.S. Kent, Capt. and Officers and Ship's Company of H.M.S. Delight, Capt. and Officers and Ship's Company of H.M.S. Diamond, Capt. and Officers and Ship's Company of H.M.S. Eagle and Surgeon Capt. G. V. Hobbs.

CAPT THOMAS FAIRBAIRN

The death occurred in Ningpo on December 11, at the age of 77, of Capt. Thomas Fairbairn, who for some years was employed by Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co.

Capt. Fairbairn had retired from active service and was living in Hongkew when the Shanghai incident broke out last year. He lost all his possessions at that time, and in March of this year decided to live in retirement in Ningpo. He was buried in the Ningpo Foreign Cemetery on December 13.

COASTAL DISTRICTS CALM

According to a new arrival from Yeungkong, on the West Kwangtung coast, northeast of Kwangchowwan, calm prevails in the areas there despite alarming reports in the past few weeks of Japanese attempted landing there, says "Central News."

All important harbours and communication centres there, however, have been blockaded in preparation for emergency, he revealed.

Tension in Pakhoi, important town on the western Kwangtung coast has been eased considerably since the departure of the Japanese warships, he said.

Newspapers By Air

English-speaking visitors to the continent of Europe note with appreciation that London newspapers are on sale in Paris and elsewhere early on the day of their issue in London. For nearly four years a newspaper freight service has been operated to Paris, regularly carrying every day as much as 2½ tons of newspapers and leaving Croydon before dawn.

First newspaper freight service was tried out in May, 1934, and ran for six months, being then suspended for the winter. Service was resumed in April, 1935, and thereafter has continued without interruption. No service has failed to get through on account of mechanical trouble, but a few exceptionally foggy days have obliged cancellation.

Senior pilot of the service, Mr. J. W. Duggan, recently completed his thousandth return flight to Paris. Passengers as well as newspaper freight are now carried on the aircraft.

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He ran away from his nurse as she was bringing him and his three-year-old sister Mary back from a walk.

Then, it is believed, he went in the lift, because he wanted to surprise his parents by riding up alone to their fifth-floor flat.

His nurse could only sobbingly tell the police that she lifted him from his pram, and, when she turned after attending to his sister, found he had gone. A search revealed his body in the well of the lift.

Christopher's father is a member of the famous cotton family. He is the son of Mr. Ernest Coats, of Sundrum, Ayrshire. Little Christopher was a million pound baby, brought up on the wealth of two rich influential families.

On his mother's side he was the great grandson of the man who made the Horlick millions—Sir James Horlick. His great-grandfather on his father's side made a vast fortune out of his Paisley cotton mills.

HAT-SNATCHING RAGAMUFFINS ARRESTED

The Shanghai hat-snatching "racket," which in recent weeks has caused grief to many passengers in buses, tramcars and rickshaws, suffered a serious blow in the arrest last week of nine members of a gang accused of having operated on a large scale in the International Settlement.

The nine, mostly boys, were seized by the Municipal Police at a hot-water shop in an alleyway off Shantung Road.

"Hat-snatching through half-open bus and tram windows persists in both the Settlement and the French Concession despite the colder weather which causes most bus and tram windows to be nearly closed." The ragamuffin boys who operate this "racket" are usually so fleet of foot that they are well within a network of alleyways by the time a pursuit can be begun.

The hats which they obtain are disposed of at very low prices to receivers apparently working with the boys.

The Japanese naval blockade of the China coast and the consequent sinking or requisition of many fishing junks has left 1,000,000 fishermen without employment. Efforts are understood to be underway to transfer them to the interior and have them take up farming, says "International."

CABARET DANCE

The Royal Engineers' Old Comrades Association held their annual carnival and cabaret dance in the Peninsula Hotel last night, when a large crowd gathered to make merry.

The function being a fancy dress affair, many varieties of costumes were on view and added to the occasion. Dancing was continued till 2 a.m. to the strains of an excellent dance band.

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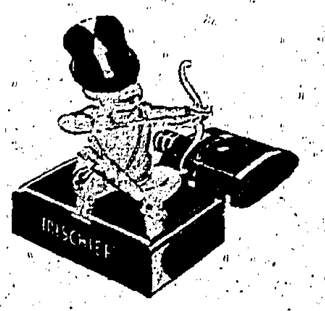

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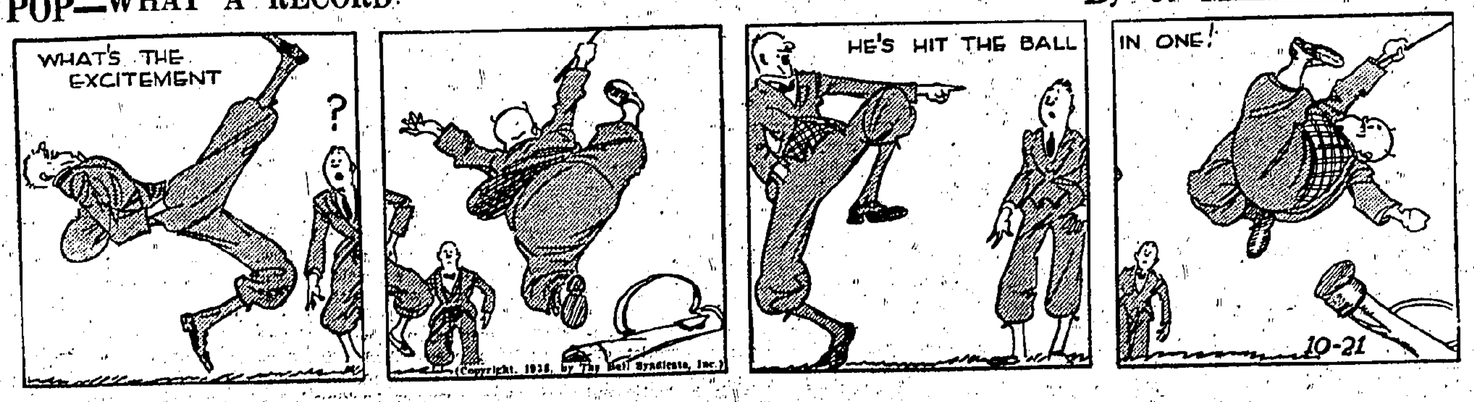

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Forms of tender can be obtained from the Naval Store Officer, H. M. Naval Yard, Hong Kong or from the Engineer Officer, Yangtse.

Tenders should be addressed to the Engineer Officer, Yangtse, British Naval Office, H.B.M Consulate-General, SHANGHAI.

Envelopes should be marked on outside "TENDER FOR BEE" and must be deposited by NOON 14th January, 1939.

All tenders to be made in Pounds Sterling and a deposit of £300 (Three hundred Pounds) must accompany same. On acceptance of tender buyer to pay balance and take delivery within 3 weeks. All charges to be for account of buyer from day following acceptance of tender.

The vessel is offered for sale in the belief that the above particulars are correct but their correctness is not guaranteed. No claim for compensation or any allowance will be entertained from the purchaser on account of any errors or mis-description: neither will any responsibility be accepted for defects that now or may hereafter exist in the hull and machinery of the vessel.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate 6/NS.4430 dated Hongkong, 18th January, 1936 for Sixty shares of this Bank numbered 95407/95466 inclusive registered in the name of Mr. Vivian Geoffrey Smyth has been Lost or Stolen and should this certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 14th January, 1939, a new certificate for the shares will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 6/NS.4430 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as Null and Void.

By Order of the Court of Directors;

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY.

The New Term for the Middle School and the Preparatory School begins Jan. 3rd. Entrance Examination on Jan. 2nd at 9 a.m. For Prospectus apply to Fung Man Sui, Esq., or Chan Lim Pak, Esq., Messrs. H. Wicking, Prince's Building, (Tel. 30241), or to the College.

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BIRTHS

LUEDERS.—On December 20, 1938, in Foochow, to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lueders, a daughter.

HILL.—On December 21, 1938, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hill, a son.

DEATHS

KNUDSEN.—On December 18, 1938 at Shanghai, Alice Emily aged 54 years, wife of Augustus F. Knudsen.

LARSEN.—On December 18, 1938, at Blyth Hospital, Wenchow, A. M. Larsen, of Tonsberg, Norway. Buried in Wenchow on December 20, 1938.

BRINCKMAN.—On December 21, 1938, at the Russian Orthodox Hospital, Shanghai, Eugene Karl Brinckman, aged 82 years, husband of Mrs. E. V. Brinckman.

KENNARD DAVIS.—On Dec. 13, 1938, at Craythorne, Tenterden, Kent, Leonard Kennard Davis, J.P., in his 79th year.

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BETTER OUTLOOK IN AMERICA

NEW YORK MESSAGES report a marked revival of confidence. Business activity has been stimulated no doubt by the prospect of heavy expenditure on armaments: but the main cause of the improvement in feeling seems to be the keener sense of national unity which has been the American reaction to recent developments in Europe.

SEVERAL WEEKS AGO, the all-absorbing topic of interest was the November elections. Opponents of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, both in his own Democratic Party and among the Republicans, had been encouraged by the failure of his attempts to prevent the selection as Democratic candidates of men who had consistently obstructed his policies. Everything pointed to an intensification of the feud between "big business" and the Administration, which has long been the main obstacle to recovery in the United States.

MAIN OBSTACLE TO RECOVERY

AS SOON, however, as there appeared an imminent danger of war in Europe, the internal political struggle become a secondary consideration. Public opinion rallied round the President in his efforts to preserve peace, and in his simultaneous determination to set to work without delay to make the United States strong enough to protect democracy in the New World from any possible attack.

AS THE FEELING GREW that American security from aggression could only be preserved by strength and vigilance, the whole country turned again to its President for guidance and leadership. In the opinion of cool observers, his personal ascendancy to-day is only comparable to that which he exercised in the early days of his life in the White House. Now that he is once again the man of the hour, the accepted leader of the whole nation in everything which concerns external relations, there is little prospect of a successful revolt against President Roosevelt's authority. Instead, there is an increasing desire on both sides to call a truce in internal quarrels even where a permanent settlement is difficult to find.

DESIRE FOR TRUCE

All causes have not been eliminated. The two camps of organised labour, the American Federation of Labour and the Committee of Industrial Organisation, continue to fight one another for control of the movement. No compromise has yet been reached over the demand of the railway companies for a reduction in wages. There are disputes over hours of work in the motor industry and unrest among the longshoremen of the Pacific Coast, but there is a desire everywhere to get together behind the President.

An outstanding example of this new spirit is the peace which is being patched up between the Administration and the public utility companies. So much progress has been made in this that there is expectation of an early resumption of the activity of the power plants in expansion and re-equipment, which has been held up by political fears for the past five years. No development could give a stronger and more healthy impetus to industry and business.

THE NEW SPIRIT

It is long since the outlook in America was so encouraging. And a real recovery in the United States would be a welcome tonic to business and a real contribution to peace in every part of the world.

CORRESPONDENCE

CHORLEYWOOD AND CHINA

[To the Editor, "The Hongkong Daily Press"]

Sir,—Not a mere casual concatenation of "Cs," but a congeries of living links has been forged between Hongkong and this pretty West Herts village—half dormitory for London business men, and half a haven of rest for retired folk.

In chronological order, Captain V. A. Lawford R.N., retired here with his wife and family some years ago, and is fond of recalling the days when he was the lively young secretary to the Commodore of Hongkong in the gay 'nineties: he is now the energetic President of the local British Legion Branch. Mrs. Lawford is President of the active women's section. The Branch has won the County Shield five times—this year the writer of these notes had the honour of receiving it (jointly with the Wigginton Branch, which tied with us) at the annual county meeting.

The Benevolent Committee of the Branch has raised over £1,200 in thirteen years for the sick and disabled local ex-service men and their families.

The writer and his wife cast anchor here nine years ago, and have kept in touch with Hongkong through the Victoria Diocesan Association, of whose magazine the writer has been joint editor for many years, and their friend still in the East. Mrs. Bowley is President and originator of a very live branch of the National Council of Women.

Recently Mrs. Cartwright, widow of your editor from 1914 to 1925, has added another link by coming to live here. In addition, there are Mr. and Mrs. Stewart (of Jardine's) and Capt. C. E. Stuart, R.N.R. and Mrs. Stuart, daughter of Sir William and Lady Goodman.

Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi are not far away at Holmer Green; Mrs. Holyoak at Amersham, Dr Francis Clark (formerly M.O.H., Hongkong) and Mr. H. E. Oakley (brother of Lady Pollock) at Berkhamsted, twelve miles away, add to the links, whilst three officers in H.M.S. Eagle hail from here. One of them, Lieut. Cardew, married Sir Henry Wood's daughter in Hongkong not long ago.

The air service has brought us closer still to the Island of Fragrant Streams, which we often pine to revisit.

F. B. L. BOWLEY.
Chorleywood, Dec. 14.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

The engagement of Miss Yvonne Yeung Sau-king, the well-known swimming champion, to Mr. B. L. Tao, the popular jockey, was announced at a reception held in the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel yesterday afternoon. They will be married in February and will reside in Hongkong.

Miss Yeung, second daughter of Mr. C. H. Yeung, was attired in a costume of white chiffon velvet and carried a small bouquet of white chrysanthemums at her engagement tea, where she received the felicitations of her many friends and relatiatives.

IN BETWEEN RACES AT THE VALLEY

PICTURE TAKEN at the thirteenth extra race meeting at the Valley. (Photo by Leica).

NAVAL OFFICER FALLS OUT OF TRAIN TO DIE

The Coroner at the Chelmsford (Essex) inquest on the naval officer found unconscious on the railway near Witham, said that the suggestion of suicide could be ruled out. He returned a verdict of accidental death.

The officer, Lieutenant Guy Bertram Streatfield Slater, 31, of H.M.S. Ganges, fell out of a train the day after attending his fiancee's birthday party and within a few days of his wedding.

"I think," the Coroner said, "the possibility is that Lieutenant Slater had been asleep in the train, and waking up and being mentally confused after the excitement of the evening he felt in need of air and went to the window."

Air Vice-Marshal A. E. Borton, of, Cheveney, Yelding, Kent, the officer's stepfather, said Slater was a fine athlete, but last year had a recurrence of dysentery, contracted in China, and since then was liable to become abnormally tired. He also suffered from occasional attacks of sickness. He was absolutely abstemious.

"WE WERE HAPPY"

The Coroner said Miss Patricia Adams, Slater's fiancee, was the last person to see him alive. She had made a statement in which she said:—

"We were both very happy, but on the evening of December 6 when I saw him off by train, he appeared to be very tired and said he would get some sleep in the train.

"He missed the 10.35 from Liverpool Street, on which his friends were travelling, and caught an excursion train. He was very sleepy and tired. He was a temperate man."

B.B.C. ANNOUNCERS DREADFULLY DULL

Mr. Lewis Casson, the producer, addressing the conference of the British Drama League at Bournemouth recently, described the B. B. C. announcer as "the typical, dreadfully dull English speaker."

"Speaking is being hopelessly neglected on the modern stage, because there is not the time to deal with it," he said. "Our English speech is becoming duller and duller.

"It is so dull now, so flat, so tuneless, that we dare not put people on the stage in Elizabethan costume because they would look so absurd and, talking as they do, it would be so impossible. We therefore have to dress them in modern dress."

Seconding a motion welcoming the progress in the National Theatre scheme and calling on all amateur dramatic societies to give it their full support, Mr. Casson said that he looked on the National Theatre as an organisation for making an economic proposition of putting on plays solely for their artistic merits.

People nowadays went to the theatre chiefly to see a play because it had been labelled a success on the first night and not always because they liked it. They had to see successes because it was necessary for them to be able to talk about them at dinner parties.

Det.-Insp. Charles Garrett, for 25 years in the finger-print department at Scotland Yard, is retiring. He entered the Metropolitan Police as a constable 26 years ago, and has since become known to members of the police forces of almost every country in the world as "Darky of the Yard."

Ald. James Crease, of Wickham-road, Beckenham, Kent, has completed 40 years of public service in the district.

CAPT. FITZROY AND THE PRESS

Capt FitzRoy, Speaker of the House of Commons, declared that to form a judgment from newspapers was a "cheap and nasty way." He was opening a new school hall at Brackley, Northamptonshire.

"In these days of the cheap Press," he said, "I think that one of the great dangers to the modern State is for the population to take their ideas from what they read in the newspapers.

"This is a cheap and nasty way of forming a judgment on anything. The great danger is that people should be turned out by mass production without soul and without mind, like sausages from a machine."

The State was spending progressively and liberally on education so that people might have the advantage of reading good literature to help them think for themselves.

'GREAT RESPONSIBILITY'

Canon Alexander, preaching at St. Paul's Cathedral, said that the individual journalist, and the Press as a whole, were now more exposed than at any previous period to the perils and temptations of sensationalism.

In critical and delicate times, newspapers had a great responsibility, for not only were they very widely read at such times, but many people had a pathetic faith that whatever they saw in print was true. The liberty of the Press was bought too dearly if the price of it were truth.

ITALY AND KING ALEXANDER

Blamed For Murder In New Book

The theory that the murder of King Alexander of Jugoslavia at Marseilles in 1934 was part of an Italian plan preparatory to the attack on Abyssinia is advanced in a biography of the King by Stephen Graham, published recently (Cassell, 21s 6d).

Mr. Graham, according to his publishers, has received "influential help" from Queen Marie and the Regents of Jugoslavia, who have supplied personal and secret information, as well as from various prominent Jugoslav statesmen.

He contends that the outrage, for reasons of policy, was misrepresented as a mere isolated act of Croat terrorism, both at the trial of the assassins and in the proceedings at Geneva. He suggests that Signor Mussolini may have been informed of the attempt before it was made.

"What," asked Mr. Graham, "did Italy envisage as the result of the murder?" "Separatism and chaos," is his reply.

"Italy considered she would then be free from the embarrassment of a hostile neighbour. The event has to be taken in conjunction with Italy's imperial policy. She intended going into Abyssinia."

BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE

The conclusion of the book is that Jugoslavia's foreign policy was sharply twisted away from the democracies by the King's death, and by the subsequent attitudes taken up by France and Great Britain at Geneva, where they deliberately made Hungary the scapegoat to avoid giving offence to Italy.

Some indecision on the part of M. Jevtitch, the Jugoslav Foreign Minister, who accompanied the King on the fatal journey, and who presented his country's case at Geneva, gave M. Laval, according to Mr. Graham, an opportunity to bring pressure on him to exclude Italy from the indictment of encouraging the Croat terrorist organisations, which for some time had flourished both in Italy and Hungary. New terms, omitting all accusation against Italy, were framed.

"Laval seemed to be pleased and said that they must at once find Mr. Eden. But it was reported that Eden was out playing golf. Lavel resolved upon a bold move. Without consulting the British delegate, he would go direct to the Italians, who, in his belief, held control of the situation."

Baron Aloisi agreed, and the Hungarians, after further modifications of the case against them, acquiesced. They had received reassurances from Italy that no untoward consequences would follow.

The result was a verdict by the League Council which bitterly disappointed Jugoslavia.

"The conviction grew that, had Jugoslavia been allied with Germany instead of France she would have had stronger backing."

PRINCE KONOYE FLOGS A DEAD HORSE

WORLD PRESS COMMENTS upon the statement of the policy of the Japanese Government with reference to China which was made by Prince Konoye, the Japanese Prime Minister, shew unanimity by directing attention to the determination of Japan to reduce China to colonial status, and the Chinese people to be subjects of the Japanese Emperor.

Special attention is called to the means by which this will be done if China were "to lay down her arms and accept a dishonourable peace for the sake of appeasement."

The main features of the Japanese pronouncement follow the lines to which the Chinese Government have become accustomed. They are demands for political, economic and military infringement of China's sovereignty. And while the actual demand for territory or war indemnity is absent, the demands take care of those old fashioned elements in a new totalitarian manner.

BY PERCY CHEN

The demands are first, extermination of the anti-Japanese Kuomintang; second, all territory in China to be open to Japanese for residence and commercial activities; third, special economic facilities to be granted to Japan for exploitation of North China and Inner Mongolia; fourth, China to recognise Manchukuo; fifth, China to join the anti-Comintern Pact and co-operate with the Fascist bloc of aggressive Powers, Japan, Germany and Italy; sixth, Inner Mongolia to be designated a special anti-Communist area; seventh, Japanese troops to be stationed at specified points in China.

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This is not the first time that Japan has presented these seven fundamental points of her programme for the subjugation of China. The Waichiaopu spokesman from Chungking has aptly stated that "they are the 21 demands over again and they are twenty-three years too late."

Between 1935 and 1937 they appeared time and time again as different variations of the Three Point Programme of Hirota, former Foreign Minister of Japan.

And in order to ascertain which of the seven formed the Three Point Programme the Chinese Waichiaopu entered into long and unending negotiations during 1936 and 1937.

Looking back over the files of those eventful years we find that at the session of the Diet in January 1936, Mr. K. Hirota was reported to have announced that China had accepted his famous Three Points in principle. At that time they were reported to have been:—

(1) Positive aid by Nanking to a scheme to place relations between the two countries on a firm and amicable basis;

(2) A formula for co-operation between China, Japan and Manchukuo in the development of North China; and

(3) A programme for a common front among China, Japan and Manchukuo aiming at the prevention of the spread of Communism in Asia.

Whether Koki Hirota was deceiving his own people or not is not clear but the Chinese Foreign Office denied that any such agreement in principle had been conveyed. It was further stated that points mentioned by Hirota for consideration were "too vague in their phraseology to serve as a subject for useful discussion."

But upon a statement by Hirota that Japan's fundamental policy vis-a-vis China was non-menace and non-aggression, the Chinese Government entered into negotiations with a hope of restoring relations to normalcy. The Japanese method of restoring normalcy was to invade China in 1937.

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In Chinese Nationalist circles Konoye's speech is interpreted to **indicate that Japan is still fixed in** her determination to subjugate China. Some foreign newspapers have said that the omission of the name of Chiang Kai-shek from the declaration may have some significance.

It is felt in Nationalist circles that the use of the term "anti-Japanese Kuomintang" is significant. The Japanese perhaps believe that they will be able to create a pro-Japanese Kuomintang based upon the spirit of Renaissance which is sweeping China and place it under the leadership of Wang Ke Min or someone else of that tribe.

The Kuomintang is the Chinese Revolutionary Party. It is the vanguard of the Chinese People. Its leader is Chiang Kai-shek, and under his leadership all Comrades are united in this Holy War against Japan.

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The declaration of Prince Konoye must be taken in its relation to the efforts of the Japanese to call a belt to the disastrous war into which they threw themselves. The peace terms are not so much addressed to the Chinese Government as to the Puppets in Peiping, Nanking and Hankow. And as the terms have been rejected many times before the Japanese have little hope that they will be accepted now that we have taken up arms and are in a position to take the initiative to persecute the war to our likes.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Gold-diggers Of Malaya Have Secret Language

That the "camphor seekers of Malaya are a sect, keeping themselves very much to themselves" and that "the way in which they converse when they are together is not at all intelligible to others" is the interesting suggestion made by the anonymous author of an article on "Secret Languages" appearing in the "Nottingham Weekly Guardian."

He adds that "among the Malays, too, those who dig for gold have their own secret tongue" and suggests that "perhaps this is just as well, considering that, in view of their occupation, their talk should not be too easily understood by eavesdroppers!"

MORE OUTRAGES IN PALESTINE

British Bank Chief Reported Captured

JEWISH CARPENTER SHOT DEAD

Jerusalem, Dec. 27.

A Jewish carpenter named Jacob Silber was fatally shot by an unknown Arab gunman at Jerusalem yesterday.

Mr. Edward Keith-Roach, District Commissioner at Jerusalem, was the first to reach the scene of the outrage, his car arriving at the spot two minutes after the attack. The gunman had already disappeared and Mr. Keith-Roach took Silber to hospital.

Arabs are believed to have captured a British bank manager, Mr. Louis Le Bouvier, in the afternoon. An Air Force armoured car patrol found his car abandoned on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho.—Reuter.

ARAB ASSASSINATED

Jerusalem, Dec. 27.

Despite the fact that an unofficial truce had been declared in Palestine during Christmas, news reached here last night of a further series of incidents.

Much consternation has been caused by the report of the assassination of Assen Nashashibi, well-known Arab who is cousin of the leader of the Arab opposition party which is seeking to come to an understanding with England.

In Jerusalem a British police constable was shot dead.

Clashes also occurred in Haifa and Nazareth.—Transocean.

INTENSIFICATION OF GUERILLA CAMPAIGN AGAINST JAPANESE

All Occupied Areas Designated As "Zones"

Nanchang, December 27.

EMPHASIZING THE INTENSIFICATION of the guerilla campaign against the Japanese, the Military Affairs Commission at Chungking decreed that all occupied areas will henceforth be designated as "guerilla zones."

Carrying on guerilla attacks in Shantung province, Chinese today claimed the recapture of Changkiu, 30 miles north-east of Tsinan. They destroyed two railways stations and some miles of track.—International.

SYSTEMATIC CAMPAIGN

Tientsin, Dec. 27.

Chinese officers have forecast a long and systematic campaign of mopping-up in areas distant from the railways and seaports and river cities. This includes an intensive campaign against the Eight Route Army.

The Japanese are expected to concentrate their mopping up in Hupeh, Shansi, Shantung and northern Hunan provinces—the area to the north of the Yellow River and the Lunghai Railway, comprising 200,000 square miles with a population of 75,000,000.

The Japanese are estimated to control actually only 13 of the 130 districts in Hupeh province; 31 in Shansi, which has 105; 32 out of 109 in Shantung, and only five districts in northern Honan.

The guerilla warfare is continuing in the whole northern area. Attackers are reported daily near Peiping, Tientsin, Tsingtao, Taiyuan, Chefoo, Tsinan and along the occupied railways throughout the invaded territory. These attacks provide constant harassment to Japanese communications, preventing the exercise of effective political control and economic domination.—International.

FACING ANNIHILATION

Nanchang, Dec. 27.

Japanese troops on the north bank of the Hsiu River, in north-west Kiangsi province, are cut off from the rear by Chinese troops supported by guerillas and are facing annihilation.

Chinese forces are also counter-attacking the Japanese along the Nanchang - Kiukiang Railway, taking advantage of the transfer of large numbers of enemy forces from the railway zone to other places.—International.

NEW PAPER PRINTED

Chungking, Dec. 27.

A regularly printed Chinese daily newspaper whose sympathies are with the Chinese nationalists has made its appearance behind the Japanese lines in occupied territory.

The newspaper is being printed under the name of the North China edition of the "New China Daily." Its first issue appeared on December 18. The "New China Daily" is the local organ of the Chinese Communist party.

The new paper is published at Changchin in south eastern Shansi province, about 200 kilometres from the Japanese-garrisoned capital of Taiyuan.

Chinese circles said the paper is meeting a "long felt want" and is very essential as a medium of liaison between the government and the Chinese people of the occupied territories.

The "New China Daily" commented editorially on its struggling offspring saying the new daily will "co-ordinate activities between the Chinese guerilla forces and the government, as well as serve as an educational and organizing force among the people of North China."—International.

CANDID CAMERA AT THE RACES

MRS. IRWIN and Mr. Pentreath photographed at the thirteenth extra race meeting held at Happy Valley. (Photo by Leica).

U.S. Boycott Of Japan

Economic sanctions against Japan are being planned by U.S.A.

The credits already made to Chinese interests are believed to be linked with the purchase of Chinese silver.

If Japan continues to ignore America's protest against the interruption of her trade in China, a national boycott of Japanese goods will be imposed.

Britain, it is believed in Washington, will be asked to co-operate in joint economic reprisals—a step which would prohibit all Japanese imports into the British Empire, states a Home political observer.

Soviet Editor Victim Of Purge

Moscow, Dec. 27.

Mikhail Kolzoff, former Editor-in-Chief of the "Pravda," central organ of the Communist Party, is the latest victim of the purge being undertaken by the Soviet secret police, it was revealed yesterday.

Rumour of his arrest started when his name disappeared as editor of a satirical weekly published in Moscow.

Kolzoff is one of the most popular authors in Soviet Russia. He was for two years "Pravda's" special correspondent in Republican Spain, and also was in Prague during the Czechoslovak crisis.—Transocean.

SPANISH WAR

London, Dec. 27.

Spanish Insurgents claim an advance on the Catalan front and declare that the road from Lerida to the coast is threatened. On the other hand Government troops claim that the Insurgent attacks were repulsed.—Reuter.

SLIGHT PROGRESS

Barcelona, Dec. 27.

A Republican Spanish bulletin issued by the Ministry of National Defence in this city last night states that the Nationalists continued their attack on the East front with undiminished violence, severest fighting taking place near Tremp. Republican resistance is declared to be equally determined and the enemy is suffering enormous losses.

In the Segre sector Nationalists are pressing forward in the Oramena fighting zone but are making only slight progress.—Reuter.

SINGAPORE WOMEN'S DONATION

The Singapore Chinese Ladies' Sewing Club, of which Mrs. S. K. Wong, M.B.E., is honorary secretary, has forwarded $10,000 (Chinese currency) to Madame Chiang Kai-shek for the relief of Chinese refugees and war orphans.

IRE OF PEIPING MOSLEMS ROUSED BY JAPANESE PLANS

Chungking, Dec. 27.

Japanese plans for the construction of a highway cutting through a Moslem cemetery in Peiping have roused the anger of the Moslems in the ancient capital, according to a report from Shanghai.

Mass meetings have been held by the Moslems, denouncing the Japanese and a stirring manifesto has been issued, declaring that the 170,000 Moslems in the city will protect their ancient cemetery ground at all costs.—Central News.

PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Lima, Dec. 27.

The Pan-American Conference was occupied during the week-end putting the final touches to resolutions which will be signed to day. The next meeting will be held at Bogota, capital of Colombia.—Reuter.

VATICAN ENVOY

Bucharest, Dec. 27.

The Ex-Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Petrescu Comnen, has been appointed Ambassador to the Vatican, it is announced here.—Transocean.

ITALO-FRANCE DISPUTE

Mr. Chamberlain As Mediator?

Paris, Dec. 27.

The paper "L'Oeuvre" this morning draws attention to rumours prevalent in political circles in Paris which declare that Mussolini intends to suggest to Mr. Chamberlain during the latter's forthcoming visit to Rome that the British Prime Minister should assume the role of mediator in the dispute between Italy and France.

The British Ambassador, Sir Eric Pripps, so it is rumoured, sounded the French Government as to the latter's attitude towards such a plan.

The French Government, however, is alleged to have intimated to the British Government that it viewed the suggestion without enthusiasm.

"L'Oeuvre" moreover reports that Mr. Chamberlain has decided to make a stop over at Paris on his way to Rome to discuss the Italian claims with the French Government.—Transocean.

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

Paris, Dec. 27.

The day after Christmas was characterised by a post holiday flourish of political activity in the French Government and diplomatic circles, Italian and Mediterranean problems having constituted the chief subject of consideration.

While the Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet, was receiving the British Ambassador, Sir Eric Phipps, and informing him of the contents of the French Ambassador in Rome, M. Francois Poncet, the French Resident-General in Tunis, M. Eric Labonne, was conferring with the Premier, M. Daladier on plans for his forthcoming visit to Tunis and Corsica.—Transocean.

TWO CONSULATES CLOSED

Moscow, Dec. 27.

Italy and Russia have both closed one of its consulates. The Soviet Consulate in Milan is closed it is understood on account of the attack made on it by Italians during the recent anti-French demonstrations. In retuurn the Italian Consulate at Odessa has been closed.—Reuter.

SHIPPING AT CLYDEBANK

London, Dec. 27.

Clydebank continues to produce the highest tonnage of shipping during the year which is the highest since 1930. During 1938, 117 ships were launched aggregating 450,000 tons.—Reuter.

SEPTUAGENARIAN CARDINAL DEAD

Rome, Dec. 27.

The death is announced of the septuagenarian Cardinal Deskrbensky, the last Cardinal to be elevated to the purple by Pope Leo XIII, in 1901.

He was formerly Archbishop of Prague and later Archbishop of Olmutz.—Reuter.

A.R.P. BASEMENTS AS "DEATH TRAPS"

High-explosive bombs, dropping from 12,000ft, fall at 1,000ft a second, or about 720 miles an hour, according to a report on air-aid precautions issued recently by a committee appointed by the Council of the Institution of Structural Engineers.

Emphasising that the basements of domestic buildings are liable to become death traps rather than refuges, the committee "recommend strongly that the provision of trenches and shelters outside buildings will in general be far safer protection against the effect of high explosive bombs than sheltering in the basement of ordinary buildings, even when a good deal of strutting may have been done to these basement ceilings."

The committee points out that the biggest high-explosive bombs cannot be adequately resisted to prevent penetration by anything less than about 50ft of earth covered with a detonating layer of three or four feet of concrete and three or four feet of reinforced concrete underneath.

The purpose of most practicable air raid precaution work should, therefore, be to guard against the secondary effects of high-explosive bombs, such as collapse, blast and splinters.

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WANG CHING-WEI'S MOVEMENTS

(Continued from Page 1)

arranged some time ago, when Mme. Wang left Chungking together with Messrs. Chen Kung-po and Tseng Chung-ming, political colleagues of Mr. Wang. The latter was to go to Kweilin on business, but, when he reached Hanoi, he cancelled his trip and went instead to Hanoi.

It is reported that Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign Affairs, has also gone to Hanoi or Saigon to persuade Mr. Wang to return to Chungking.—International.

RUMOURS DENIED

Chungking, Dec. 27.

Completely setting to rest widespread rumours concerning the movements of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek declared that the wild crop of rumours are clearly fabricated by Japanese political agents to mislead the Chinese people and undermine international confidence.

Categorically refuting unfounded rumours spred by German broadcasting stations that Mr. Wang was away from Chungking to negotiate peace terms with Japan on behalf of the Military Affairs Commission, the Generalissimo said those rumours are clearly bent on casting seeds of doubt on the Chinese people and disturbing international confidence in China.

He pointed out as significant the fact that rumours concerning Mr. Wang were disseminated right after Prince Konoye's statement on December 22.

The Generalissimo paid glowing tribute to the character and personality of Mr. Wang who has worked hardest and borne the chief brunt during the past few years for the national cause.

With the recent establishment by Tokyo of the China Development Board and with it a whole lot of hue and cry for a China-Japan-"Manchukuo" bloc, the Japanese design to conquer China has been bared to its teeth, and it would be unthinkable for any Chinese people cognizant of the situation to entertain any longer any idea of compromise or peace.

The Generalissimo said he could vouchsafe for the fact that Mr. Wang is the bitterest hater and most uncompromising antagonist of the Japanese designs.

The Generalissimo voiced the belief that the Chinese people would certainly not be wavered by the canards of the Japanese propagandistic zealots whose efforts would once again come to naught this time.—Central News.

CONFLICTING RUMOURS

Shanghai, Dec. 27.

Conflicting rumours continue to circulate regarding the destination as well as the purpose of Wang Ching-wei's trip.

Asked by "Transocean" whether the report that Wang Ching-wei would be coming to Hongkong with peace or truce proposals was correct, a Japanese Embassy official stated that no information to that effect had been received in official quarters.

The Japanese spokeman in Shanghai declined to pass any comment on the question of whether the Japanese would be willing to conduct peace or truce talks with Wang Ching-wei. He did not feel competent to express himself on an issue of such magnitude, he declared.

SPECIAL MISSION

It is reported in one of the Chinese newspapers here that Mr. Wang Ching-wei, has been entrusted with a special mission to proceed abroad in order to obtain further assistance for China.

According to this report he will proceed first of all to Paris and will afterwards visit Berlin, London and Rome.

The Chinese paper denies, however, that there is any connection between Mr. Wang Ching-wei's journey and the recent peace proposals made by the Japanese Prime Minister, Prince Konoye.—Transocean.

NO MANDATE

Chungking, Dec. 27.

Political quarters here regard it as out of the question that Mr. Wang Ching-wei will make overtures of any kind to the Japanese and they stress that he has no mandate for such feelers.—Transocean.

NURSES' MEALS CRITICISED

"Half-Cooked Food And Aspidistras"

"Grimly institutional" dining rooms for nurses are criticised by the Lunacy Board of Control in its annual report.

The report states that nurses duties are arduous and exacting and that it is most important that their food should be varied, well-served and appetising.

"Half-cold food and aspidistras," it is added, "are a poor preparation for a long afternoon in the wards, while bright linen and fresh flowers cost little and make meals attractive instead of merely a dreary interval in a long day."

In advocating an extension of the work of out-patient centres, the Board suggests that they might be partially staffed by part-time psychotherapists in outside practice.

"The encouragement of private practice in psychiatry would make available to the general practitioner the help of the consultant which he must often need," states the Report.

"But, apart from the obvious gain to the public, we believe that a large infusion of private practitioners would have a stimulating effect on the specialty. It is not a good thing for any branch of medicine to be represented solely by men occupying whole-time salaried posts."

48,693 PATIENTS

The total number of mentally defective patients in England and Wales who were in institutions and under guardianship at the end of 1937 was 48,693; in addition there were 37,817 patients under statutory supervision.

The number of patients under care in hospitals increased by 2,201, as compared with the average annual increase, during the past five years, of 1,687.

The number of beds available increased by only 1,575, and the number of patients in excess of the authorised bed-space was 3,608, the highest excess ever recorded.

MAN KILLS WIFE AND HANGS HIMSELF

Gilson Wresconer, a 61-year-old naturalised American author of Danish origin, was found hanging beside a flower-decked bed on which his wife lay dead. He had apparently shot himself while hanging, as a revolver lay at his feet.

The discovery was made when an entry to their home was forced. It is thought that the deaths must have taken place two weeks ago.

The wife formerly Miss Catherine O'Brien, of Boston, United States, was also 61 and had been ill for a long time.

In the room was found the following letter written by Wresconer. "I cannot bear to see my wife suffering. At last I shot her while she slept. She had gone mad, and horror at seeing her die as her mother died or having her interned like her brother made me do this."

A man aged about 35, who walked into Barnes police station during the week-end and announced that he had lost his memory, he was shown magazines at Grove-road Institution and, on seeing the picture of an aeroplane, recalled having worn a uniform.

ENGINEERS AND THE RECENT CRISIS

TRADITION OF LOYALTY

The tradition of loyalty to the Institution of Mechanical Engineers by its former officers was well illustrated at its annual dinner recently.

Mr. E. Bruce Ball, vice-president, observed that it was a matter for rejoicing that the recent international tension had so far relaxed as to enable a number of distinguished members of all the defence forces to be present, the relationship between those forces and the Institution having become deeper and more intimate with increasing technical development.

Sir Kingsley Wood, Secretary of State for Air, responding, testified to the assistance the Institution had given, from time to time, to the Air Ministry, and thanked its members for the numerous offers of service which had been made during the recent crisis, many thousands having volunteered in addition to those who were serving in the defence forces and in Government establishments. Steps must be taken to see that the spirit so indicated was neither defeated nor dissipated.

BROADENING BASIS

The Air Ministry were not only intensifying the policy of utilising the resources of the small aircraft firms and extending very considerably the use of sub-contracting, but were also to-day broadening their basis of aircraft construction by availing themselves of important organisations outside the aircraft industry itself.

He knew he could rely upon the Institution and the many capable and expert men associated with it to co-operate in these aims.

The toast of "The Institution of Mechanical Engineers" was proposed by Lord Rayleigh, president of the British Association, who said that the scientist was able to take a broad view of the work of the engineer who, it was often alleged, was largely responsible for the work of spoiling the countryside.

OFFICER WHO SWAM TO FREEDOM

Now Vice-Admiral

The Admiralty announces that the following retirements and promotions have been approved:

Vice-Admi. Sir Wilfred F. French placed on the retired list, as from Oct. 21.

Rear Admi. J. A. G. Troup promoted Vice-Admiral as from Oct. 21, and placed in the retired list as from Oct. 22. He will continue in his present appointment as Director of Naval Intelligence until Feb. 7, 1939.

Rear-Admi. G. Layton promoted Vice-Admiral as from Oct. 22. He will be reappointed Vice-Admiral Commanding Battle Cruiser Squadron and Second in-Command, Mediterranean Fleet, on promotion.

44 YEARS IN NAVY

Vice-Admi. French, who is 58, has spent 44 years in the Navy. Promoted to flag rank in 1929, he was Rear-Admi., 2nd Battle Squadron, in 1931, and Rear Admi.-in-charge, Malta, in 1934.

Vice-Admi. Troup is 55. He was promoted to flag rank in January, 1935, and became Director of Naval Intelligence in September of that year.

Vice-Admi. Layton, who is 54, has held his present post since August. He commanded submarines in the war, and, as a commander, was interned in 1915 in Denmark when E 13 grounded in the Baltic. During his internment he gave the requisite three days' notice to withdraw his parole and escaped disguised as a Danish sailor, after swimming a canal.

BROKEN ENGAGEMENT

The engagement of Miss Phyllis Wade, English woman golf champion in 1934, and runner-up in 1936, to Lt. Michael Robert Gardner, of the Royal Army Service Corps, has been broken. It was announced in July.

Lt. Gardner, who won the Army Golf Championship in 1935 and 1936, has often partnered Miss Wade in golf matches. They were beaten in the fifth round of the Open Mixed Foursomes at Worplesdon.

MORAL CHAOS OF MODERN YOUTH

Father Woodlock's Criticism

Strong criticism of the morals of modern youth, and its attitude to the Church, was expressed by Father Woodlock, of the Jesuit Church, Farmstreet, London, W., at Blackburn recently when addressing a mass meeting at the national congress of the Catholic Evidence Guild.

"A very large majority of the young people, who will be the parents of the next generation, are without interest in, knowledge of, or belief in the Christian faith and standards of morality," he said.

"Though modern youth displays many lovable and admirable qualities, such as energy, self-reliance and a good measure of unselfishness, yet a vast number are undisciplined and often irresponsible. They rationalise wrongdoing, and are without any knowledge of those sound Christian principles which distinguish right conduct from wrong.

"In particular, sex ideals have been distorted by the false values which are so often taught from the cinema screen and in the literature of to-day.

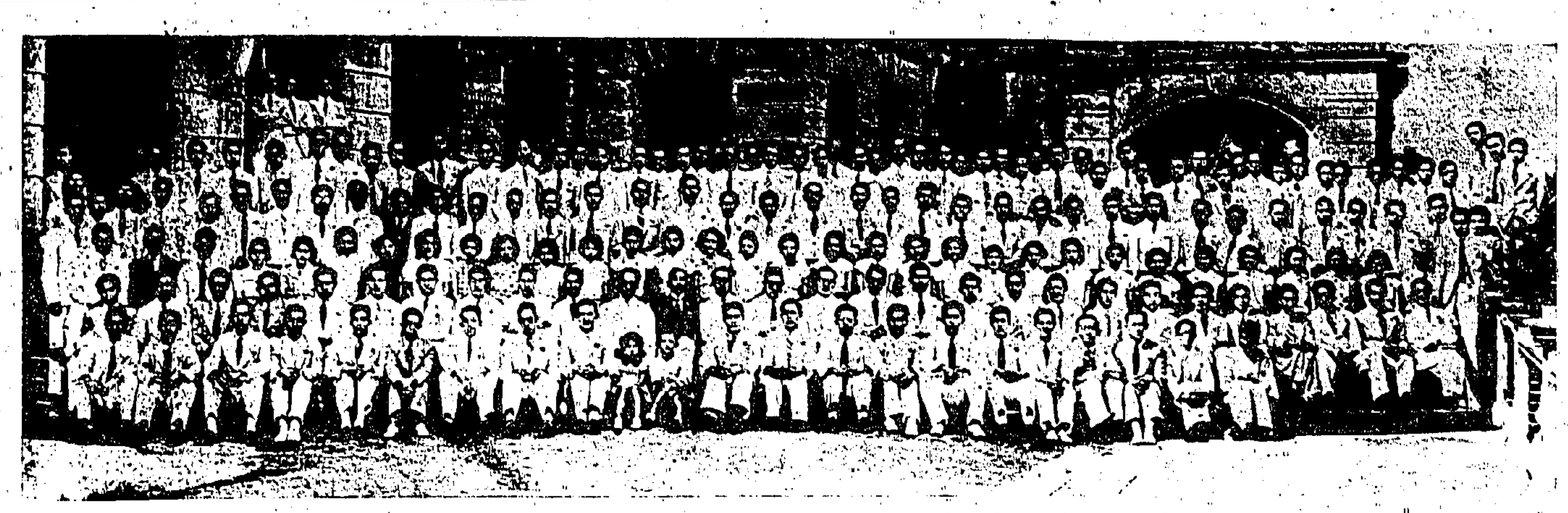
FREUDIAN JARGON

"A majority of young people are not interested in Christ's views about sex morality and His marriage laws. They are keener to learn what the new psychology has to say about it all, or Bernard Shaw, or Bertrand Russell. A superficial acquaintance with the jargon of Freudian psychology is one of the many harmful causes of the present-day moral chaos.

"Few young people," Father Woodlock went on, "can distinguish between the 'repressions' of Freud and the 'self-denial' of Christ. Many believe that any restraint on their mental passions and impulses is harmful to their mental health and induces neurasthenia.

"This 'amorality,' which is becoming a characteristic of a large proportion of the generation which has grown up since the war, leads to an atrophy of conscience. For millions of people the word 'sin' is meaningless, for sin involves the thought of God, and an increasing number of people in England to-day are, to all intents and purposes, Godless. Moral standards become as changeable as the fashions in women's dress."

Father Woodlock added that he was not optimistic as to the results of the recalls to religion addressed by Dr. Lang, the Archbishop of Canterbury. The widespread indifference would prevent the appeal ever being read or pondered by those to whom it was specially addressed.



LEADERS OF CHINA OF TO-MORROW . . . .

Group picture of the members of the University of Hongkong Students' Union taken recently when they were addressed by Mr. Walter Hanming Chen (seated in middle of second row, with dark glasses).

M.C.C. TOPS 400 MARK IN FIRST TEST

B. H. Valentine Just Misses Century

Johannesburg, December 26.

After scoring 326 for six wickets on Saturday, the M.C.C. to-day took their total to 422 before the last wicket fell in the First Test match against South Africa.

The match was played in brilliant sunshine before an attendance of 25,000.

B. H. Valentine, who was not out on Saturday with 12 played enterprising cricket. He cleverly stole the bowling and made his runs steadily.

With the score at 378, Verity, who was partnering Valentine, was bowled by an off-spinner from Dalton. His contribution was 26—a stolid effort which lasted 55 minutes.

Wilkinson, the next man in, did not stay long. At 389, he stepped in front of a straight one from Gordon and was given marching orders. He had scored only two runs.

The 400 was hoisted after 411 minutes.

Kenneth Farnes, the English fast bowler, had his off stump disturbed before he had scored, but he had stayed in long enough to see the score taken from 388 to 415.

Meanwhile Valentine had been doing most of the scoring. He stole the bowling whenever he could, and with Goddard, the last man, in with him, he was finally caught by Wade off Gordon's bowling for a splendid 97, made in 138 minutes. He had 11 boundaries to his credit.

The innings closed at 422.

FARNES BARRACKED

Bruce Mitchell made a bright opening in South Africa's innings against Farnes, who made several balls rise. The speed merchant was barracked by the crowd.

Against Farnes and Edrich, Mitchell and Van Der Byl put up the 30 in 24 minutes, but at 41, the latter was out leg-before to Verity. Van Der Byl had scored only four of this total.

Further disaster befell the South Africans immediately. Alan Melville, their captain, who was next man in, was dismissed for a "blob," the result of a splendid catch by Verity off his own bowling.

Verity had to dive full length on the ground to take the catch and rolled over in the process, but he hung on to the ball.

The total was then only 44.

ACCURATE BOWLING

Joined by Nourse, Mitchell batted steadily and at tea which was taken at 109 for two wickets, Mitchell 56 and Nourse 38.

The 50 was hoisted in 98 minutes.

After tea accurate bowling by Verity and Goddard to a well-placed field subdued both batsmen.

Mitchell did not score for 50 minutes after tea!

Then Nourse hit Hammond for a six to reach 55 in 109 minutes. The partnership had realised 100 in 125 minutes.

Nourse was eventually caught and bowled by Goddard for a well-played 73, made in 163 minutes. His innings was featured by grand cover-driving, his best scoring strokes being a six and six fours.

GORDON STUMPED

Gordon, the next man in, was stumped by Ames off Goddard in the very next ball, and Wade was bowled by the same bowler with the next.

Goddard thus completed his "hat trick."

The Gloucester bowler kept a very good length and came off the pitch very fast.

At close of play, Mitchell had 72 not out and Viljoen had not yet opened his account.

The total was 166 for five wickets.

Scores.

ENGLAND.—1st Inns

Edrich, c (Slips), b Davies	4
A. Gibb, c Melville, b Mitchell	93
Paynter, b Mitchell	117
W. R. Hammond, b Gordon	24
Ames, c Wade, b Gordon	42
N. W. D. Yardley, c and b Mitchell	7
B. H. Valentine, c Wade, b Gordon	97
Verity, b Dalton	26
Wilkinson, l.b.w., b Gordon	2
K. Farnes, b Gordon	0
Goddard, not out	0
Extras	10
	422

Fall of wickets:—1 (Edrich) for 4; 2 (Paynter) for 138; 3 (Hammond) for 234; 4 (Gibb) for 278; 5 (Ames) for 292; 6 (Yardley) for 294; 7 (Verity) for 378; 8 (Wilkinson) for 388; 9 (Farnes) for 415; 10 (Valentine) for 422.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Davies	19	0	102	1
Langton	27	5	74	0
Gordon	33.4	3	103	5
Mitchell	22	2	75	3
Dalton	10	1	42	1
Bond	2	0	16	0

SOUTH AFRICA.—1st Inn

B. Mitchell, not out	72
P. Van Der Byl, l.b.w., b Verity	4
A. Melville, c and b Verity	0
A. D. Nourse, c and b Goddard	73
Gordon, st. Ames, b Goddard	0
W. Wade, b Goddar	0
K. Viljoen, not out	0
Extras	17
Total for 5 wkts.	166

Fall of wickets:—1 (Van Der Byl) for 41; 2 (Melville) for 4; 3 (Nourse) for 160; 4 (Gordon) for 160; 5 (Wade) for 160.

—Reuter.

CYCLING CLUB HOLDS LONG DISTANCE RUN

(Continued from Page 2)

Year's Eve run, leaving the Methodist Church, Hennessy Road, Wantsai, at 11.30 p.m. sharp. Next day a trip will be undertaken to Clear Water Bay, starting from the Alhambra Theatre, Kowloon, at 10 a.m.

Owing to an oversight amendment is necessary to the list of records recognised by the Hongkong Cycling Club, published on December 23, as under:—Class "A"—Out and Home Courses—6 mins. 38 secs., on 17.11. 1938. Class "C"—Routes used more than twice—5 miles 12 mins. 44 secs., on 8. 9. 1937. Name of rider in both cases remains the same.

CLUB BEAT ARMY

(Continued from Page 2)

were the most successful bowlers for the Club on paper, but I can see that Longfield is going to give any amount of trouble in future games if he gets a pitch similar to the one on which he opened yesterday. His final figures (for the second innings) of 15-4-45-2 are not remarkable, but that was largely due to the plucky and determined batting of Godby and Weedon, who together wore him down. At the beginning there were moments when he was practically unplayable, and batsmen of the "retiring" type are going to have many unpleasant moments with him on a nasty pitch. Stokes kept wicket very well, although he dropped a skier of the kind that a wicket-keeper is seldom seen to put down.

SCORES

CLUB (1st Innings) 293.

ARMY (1st Innings) 114 (Captain Godby 32, Lt. Weedon 25, Captain Lawrence 21 not out, D. McLellan 5 for 42, H. Owen Hughes 3 for 45).

ARMY (2nd Innings)

Capt. Lawrence, c Ride, b Longfield	0
Drv. Logan, c Stokes, b Longfield	18
Cpl. Webb, b Owen Hughes	11
Lt. C. M. M. Man, l.b.w. Owen Hughes	2
Capt. Godby, b McLellan	65
Lt. M. P. Weedon, c Longfield, b Beck	27
Major Swyers, b T. A. Pearce	5
Sgt. Painter, b Beck	17
Major Baker, b Beck	2
Pte. Hatfield, not out	32
P.S.M. Paterson, st. Stokes, b Owen Hughes	11
Extras	8
Total	198

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Longfield	15	4	45	2
Owen Hughes	14.2	2	42	3
McLellan	5	0	22	1
Beck	15	3	38	3
T. A. Pearce	10	1	43	1

CLUB (2nd Innings): Richardson not out 7, Ride not out 12.

Bowling: Hatfield 4-2-8-0; Paterson 3-1-11-0.

H.K. POLICE RESERVE

(Orders by The Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Commissioner Of Police)

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The Commissioner of Police and Deputy Superintendent of Police (Reserve) wish all ranks of the Hongkong Police Reserve a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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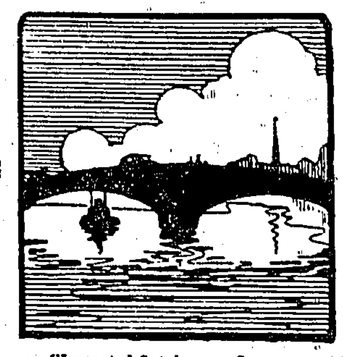

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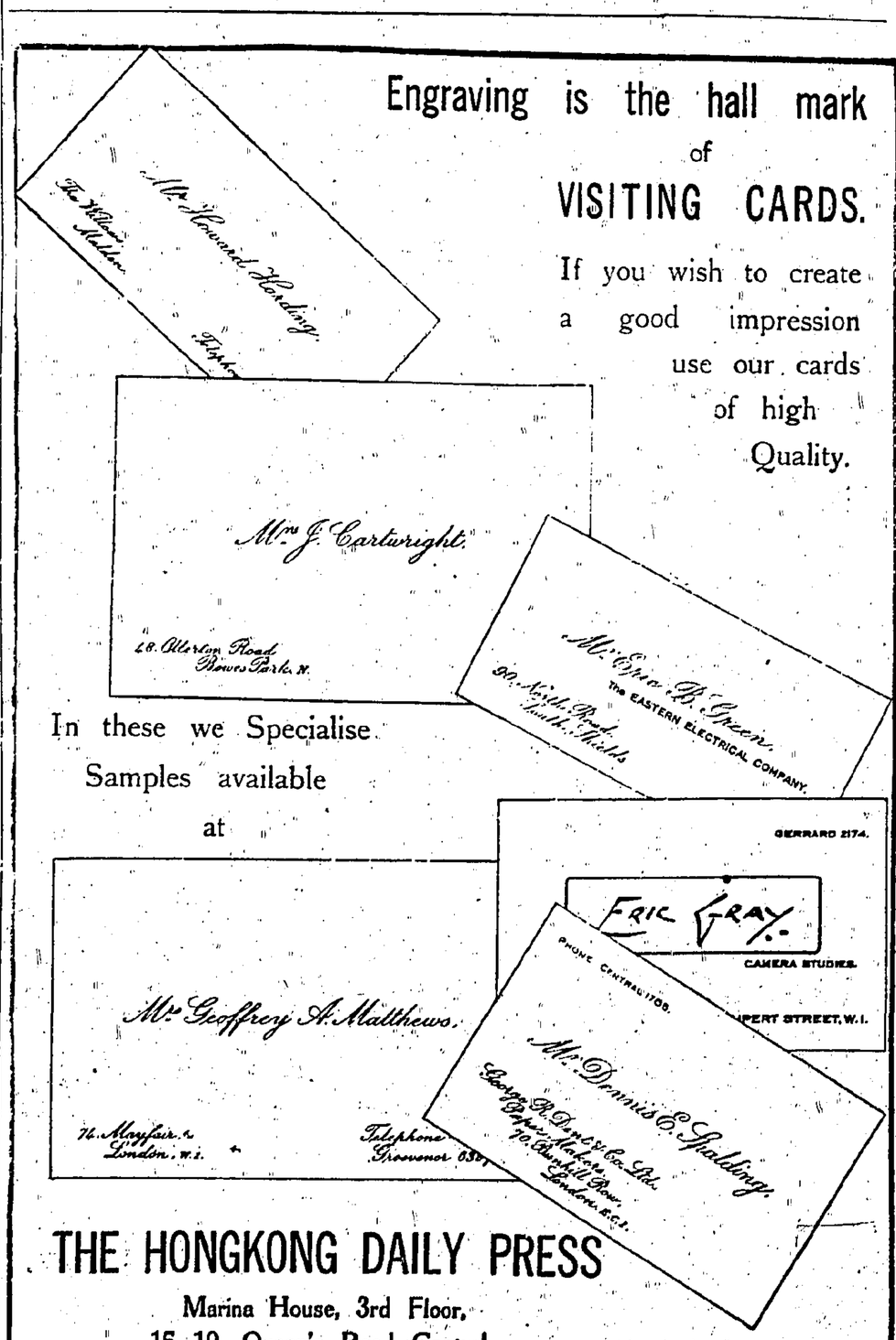

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MORAL RE-ARMAMENT

EDUCATION EXPERT AND AUTHOR RECOUNTS HIS EXPERIENCES

Major Stephen Foot, D.S.O., is best known as the author of "Three Lives' and 'Life Began Yesterday,' the latter, published in 1935, having been translated into eight languages.

Before the War, Major Foot was the youngest manager in the Shell Oil Company, and during the War he was responsible for the idea of the 'mobile army' that was adopted by the Allied Armies in the spring of 1918 as the basis of the proposed operations for 1919.

As a Housemaster and Bursar after the War, Major Foot was responsible for many educational reforms and was the first 'Careers Master' in England. His articles in the "Daily Telegraph" on educational subjects have attracted wide attention.

For forty-seven years, he writes, I chased life as though it were a Will-o'-the-Wisp. It was always just ahead, waiting round the next corner, but when I got there it had always disappeared again.

Life seemed to have begun when I started in my first job—it was a tremendous thrill to be actually earning some money—yet it wasn't long before I was pining for the day when I should be the manager.

And then my dream came true. I was only 25 years old when I found myself manager of an Oil Company out in Mexico. It was an exciting and responsible job; my salary was in the four figure class, the work was full of interest and adventure, there were revolutions, wars, big deals to pull off; I was the youngest manager in a world-wide organisation and could look forward confidently to becoming a director later on. And yet I wasn't happy. Life still seemed to have slipped round the corner out of my grasp.

Then came the War; three years in Flanders in the Sappers and the Tanks, promotion, a year at the War Office and the adoption of the plan I put forward for the creation of a "mobile army."

A NEW WORLD

The War over, I returned to South America as manager for the oil company. But all the time I felt I ought to be doing something, to build a new world in which war would be impossible. I thought that education was the way since the future lies with the younger generation. I resigned my position and returned to England where I became Housemaster and Bursar at my old school. I spent fourteen years trying to teach boys how to live, yet I had not learnt the secret myself. In all these years I had failed to find complete satisfaction for myself, and I was beginning to realise more and more clearly that the world was as far from peace as it ever had been. I began to feel that the solution must be deeper and more radical.

And then one night at dinner I sat next to a famous European statesman. He told me that he believed that answer for world peace lay in a programme of Moral Rearmament. I met others who believed the same thing and in talking with them I began to see what it would mean for my own life. I could see that it meant coming down off my pedestal with the boys, for instance, that it meant apologising to a housemaster of whom I was jealous.

PROGRAMME OF ACTION

Moral Rearmament, I came to realise, stood for a new set of standards and a new spirit in every area of life. Here, in short, was a programme of action which gathered up all that I had hoped and longed for,—a new way of living, which began with myself, it is true, but which had in it the germ of a new way of living for nations. It is clear to me now that this beginning had a spiritual significance, because my new way of life meant that I recognised God as the ultimate reality. I started trying to fit into His scheme of things instead of trying to make the world fit into mine.

That was five years ago, and since then I have seen its practical effect in a dozen countries, reuniting homes, bringing a new attitude in foreign politics.

I was talking recently to the Foreign Minister of Holland; he told me how he had established a new friendship with another country as a result of looking at questions in dispute "from the other fellow's point of view." Only a few days ago in the annual memorandum from the Foreign Office he announced that the Dutch Government is making Moral and Spiritual Rearmament the guiding principle of its foreign policy.

SAME SPIRIT

England is being stirred by the same spirit. Wherever I have gone I have seen Moral Rearmament transforming people and the situations in which they live and work.

A year ago I was having tea in a miner's cottage. The miner's wife had been struck in the face during a riot and the whole village had been split in two by the most bitter hostilities. Moral rearmament for this pair meant that they had to forget their resentment, make friends with the man who had struck the blow and ask him to tea.

I was staying with a young solicitor in the West of England. For some time he and his wife had been drifting apart and the breach was widening rapidly. One day they decided to admit their own faults instead of each blaming the other, and began learning to see the other's point of view. The result has been not only a new openness between them but a lasting unity in working together to bring real happiness to other homes.

A bank manager who was lunching with me last week told that within twenty-four hours of putting Moral Rearmament into practice he had straightened out a business matter in which he had not been honest, made friends with the man next door with whom he had not been on speaking terms for three years, and had broken down a barrier which existed for fourteen years between him and his mother-in-law.

In one industry where price-cutting and cut-throat competition are threatening to ruin everybody some of the leaders have started to build a new spirit of co-operation and understanding. In one case the head of one of the biggest firms went to his principle competitor and shared with him some of his secret processes for the benefit of the industry as a whole. Since then, on occasions when his factory has been working overtime, he has passed on orders to his competitor so that he too could keep all his men in work.

I have seen in these men the beginning of a new England. What part will England play in building a new world? Can we re-build our own country on such foundations of friendship and co-operation that the world will want to follow us? That is our task of Moral Rearmament.

CARING FOR REFUGEES

Sir Herbert Emmerson, who will be the President of the International Refugee Committee which will be established in London the New Year and shall undertake all work for the refugees, as well as institutions like the Nansen Office in Geneva.

CRICKETER SHOT, LOSES HIS EYE

J. C. White, the former Somerset and England cricketer, lost his left eye in a shooting accident on his father's farm near Taunton, Somerset, recently, and there were fears that he might be blind.

He was pheasant-shooting with a party, including his father and brother, and as he was running ahead with a dog to retrieve a fallen bird, another pheasant rose and the party shot it down.

Then Mr. White was discovered with his face bleeding. No one in the party knows what happened.

His brother, Mr. C. White, helped him to a car, and he was rushed to an eye specialist, then to a Taunton nursing home.

An operation was immediately performed, but it was impossible to save his eye.

COURTESY AT ALL COSTS

Japanese "Politeness" And Old Bailey Parallel

Satire has been busy with Japanese "politeness" in the last year, but even satire could do nothing to "paint the lily" in the matter of that instruction which has been issued to those responsible for Japanese children's magazines to be very careful not to publish anything that is not strictly polite to the Chinese. This news happened to coincide with accounts of one of the most terrible of holocausts from the air on a Chinese town.

In the Western world it would not be easy to find any parallel unless it be sought at the Old Bailey in the bad old days, says a London writer. It may be guessed that Mr. Justice Graham, "the polite judge," would have tasted the full flavour of it.

In one case before him involving a death sentence the Crown applied for a postponement in the absence of a material witness. The prisoner strenuously objected. The judge informed him that "common humanity requires that I should not let you be tried in the absence of an important witness for the prosecution."

Even if the trial took place immediately the man might still be found guilty and hanged, whereas if a postponement had been granted the witness might, against all expectation, have cleared the prisoner. That would not matter to the prisoner, since he would have been hanged: "But you must consider my feelings when I had hanged an innocent man." So the case was postponed—and the man eventually hanged.

In another case when sentencing a batch of prisoners Graham forgot to name one. He had this man put back, made him an elaborate apology for his "quite accidental mistake," and ordered him "to be hanged with the rest."

RADIUM DEAL BLUNDER DENIED

Mr. Walter Elliot, Minister of Health, denied in the House of Commons recently that a great blunder had been made by the Government in announcing the scheme to purchase radium in connection with the Cancer Bill.

Mr. David Adams asked whether Mr. Elliot would take steps to control the world price of radium by the use of the immense purchasing **power of Britain; whether he had,** since announcing his recent scheme for the control of cancer, purchased radium, and, if so, at what price.

Mr. Adams also asked if it was not a fact that the world price of radium was £5000 a gramme before the Minister made his announcement about three months ago, and that subsequently the Minister had purchased 11 grammes at £18,000 a gramme, making a difference of no less than £143,000.

Mr. Elliot replied that the statement was entirely inaccurate.

An option was bought at world prices, and no such purchases at inflated world prices had taken place.

HOW BIG BEN GOT ITS NAME

On only 18 days last year was Big Ben's time-keeping in error to the extent of more than one second, according to the report of the Astronomer Royal, Dr. Spencer Jones. Yet 80 years ago, when the specification for the clock was drawn up clockmakers said that such accuracy was impossible.

Big Ben owes its name to Sir Benjamin Hall, First Commissioner of Works at the time the 13½-ton bell was installed. The four dials of 22½ft in diameter are 180ft above ground. Each of the minute hands is 14 ft long and weighs 2cwt, while the hour hands are 9ft long and weigh 6cwt.

PHARMACY DAMAGED BY FIRE

The pharmacy of Messrs. J. Llewellyn & Company at 151 Nanking Road, Shanghai, was the scene of a fire before daylight last Tuesday, the front part of the shop and contents being badly damaged.

An alarm was sounded at 4.03 a.m., and engines from Central Fire Station responded. The flames caused serious damage to the front window and to goods stored in the part of the pharmacy near that window.

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Finance and Commerce

BRITAIN'S NOVEMBER TRADE BALANCE BETTER

Exports At Year's Highest; Large Plane & Ship Sales

A further improvement in Britain's balance of trade is shown by the November returns published by the Board of Trade. Exports increased for the third month in succession and reached the year's highest total. Imports declined by just over £1,000,000 on the month and by more than £19,000,000 compared with November, 1937.

The adverse balance for the 11 months of this year has now been reduced to £358,139,208, compared with £387,519,215 in the corresponding period of 1937. Even allowing for a fall in the "invisible" trade items, such as income from overseas investments and shipping, Britain's balance of payments for 1938 should be much more favourable than in 1937.

Last month's trade totals compare as follows:—

	Nov. 1938	Oct. 1938	Nov. 1937
Imports	£78,028,495	£70,034,856	£97,268,371
Exports	42,923,223	42,559,996	45,183,169
Re-exports	5,113,912	5,445,983	5,305,646

Although the total of manufactured exports shows a fall of £2,210,549 compared with last November, substantial gains are recorded in several of the items.

The value of aeroplanes and other aircraft sent abroad was £663,053, or almost double the figure for November, 1937. A big increase is also shown under locomotives, the total rising from £57,410 to £158,092.

The most satisfactory feature, however, was a gain of more than £277,000 to £987,715 in the value of ships purchased by foreign countries.

Principal changes in other classes of exports, compared with last November, were:—

	Increases
Raw wool	£111,067
Electrical goods	95,415
Machinery	311,848
	Decreases
Iron and steel manufactures	£599,015
Cotton yarns and manufactures	1,264,997
Woollen goods	492,078
Other textiles	357,353

The big fall in cotton goods may be attributed partly to the decline in prices.

IRON ORE IMPORTS DROP

A feature of the fall in imports was a decline of no less than £900,586 to £337,245 in iron ore and scrap purchased abroad. This follows a decline of £678,908 in October. In the earlier months of the year the figures had shown little change.

The greater part of the fall in November was under iron ore, but scrap imports also declined sharply. This decline is due probably mainly to the falling off in iron and steel production earlier in the year.

Exports of iron and steel scrap increased considerably. The total, including a negligible amount of iron ore, was £117,716, against £33,900. Germany's purchases from Britain rose from £14,117 in November, 1937, to £71,446.

LOWER PRICES

Lower prices for staple products are reflected in other import figures, among which the following declines are recorded:—

	Total £	Decline £
Grain and flour	5,836,982	3,110,506
Beverages and cocoa preparations	4,333,808	1,285,323
Non-ferrous metalliferous ores	1,136,531	871,169
Wood and timber	4,069,690	2,585,071
Raw cotton and cotton waste	2,254,500	3,202,437
Iron and steel manufactures	844,781	1,892,002
Non-ferrous metals manufactures	3,249,055	1,373,485

For the 11 months of the year exports total £432,000,578, a decline of £45,979,268, compared with the same period of 1937. Imports amount to £846,948,164, a fall of £88,774,906.

PUPPETS SET NEW TARIFF

Chungking, Dec. 27.

A message from Tientsin states that the bogus government in Peiping has ordered all Customs houses in North China to increase import duties on over 90 items, including piece goods, tobacco, leather and photo supplies, beginning from January 1.—Central News

SHENSI'S NEW FACTORIES

Chungking, Dec. 27.

It is learned here that four big factories for the manufacture of woollen, cotton and leather goods and farming implements will shortly be established in northern Shensi.

The sites for the plants have already been selected and operations will start as soon as the machinery and personnel are secured.—Central News

B.A.T. PROFITS SHRINK

A decrease of £169,563, or rather less than three per cent., to £5,590,886 in the net earnings of the British-American Tobacco Company for the year to September 30 must be counted, in the circumstances of the period, a very minor interruption of the group's progressive record.

Apart from the general trade recession the Company must again have experienced difficult conditions in China in consequence of the continuance of the conflict with Japan. Further, the company will on this occasion be liable for N.D.C. for a full 12 months in place of six months.

The final distribution is on the lines generally forecast. That is to say, the dividend is again 8d. per £1 of Ordinary stock, making the total dividend payments for the year 20 per cent., free of tax, a rate which has been paid since 1929-30.

But the bonus of 1¼ per cent., which was added a year ago, is dropped. It may be recalled that at the general meeting last January the chairman warned shareholders that the bonus should not be considered as "a continuing bonus." As a result of its non-payment the directors are able to increase the "carry-forward" from £2,470,331 to £2,736,707.

THE "FINANCIAL REVIEW"

With reference to the review under the heading "China Still Holds Abundant Silver" published in the "Daily Press" yesterday, in which the "Financial Review" was erroneously reported to be "a semi-official organ of the Chinese Ministry of Finance," it is pointed out that the "Financial Review" is an independent publication devoted to an academic study of financial questions of all countries, particularly of China, and is in no way connected with the Ministry of Finance.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuter's Service)

QUOTATIONS

STOCKS	Last Sale Dec 24
Adams Express	10½
Alleghany Steel Co.	26½
Allis Chalmers	46½
Amerada Corps.	66½
Amer. Can	100
Amer. & Foreign Power	3
Amer. & Foreign $7 pf.	17
Amer. Locomotive	29
Amer. Metals Co.	38
Amer. Radiator	17½
Amer. Rolling Mill	20½
Amer. S'ting and R'ing Co.	49
Amer. Sugar R'ing	19½
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	147½
Amer. Tobacco "B"	87
Amer. Waterworks	12½
Anaconda Copper	34½
Atchison, T. & S. Fe.	40½
Auburn Motors	3½*
Baltimore & Ohio	7½
Barber Asphalt Co.	19½
Barnsdall Oil	18½
Bethlehem Steel	75½
Boeing Airplane Co.	31½
Borg-Warner	31
Biggs M'facturing	30½
Brooklyn-M'hattan Trans.	11½
B'klyn-M'hattan $6 cum pf.	39
Canadian Pacific R'way.	5½
Case, J.I.	88½*
Chesapeake & Ohio	36½
Chrysler Corpn.	82½
Columbia Gas & El.	6½
Columbia 6% "A" pf.	70*
Commercial	57
Commonwealth & S. (ord.)	1½
C'wealth & S. 6% cum pf.	45
Consolidated Edison	30
Consolidated Oil	8½
Continental Can	40½
Continental Oil	30½
Corn Products	63½
Curtiss Wright (C.)	6½
Curtiss Wright "A"	26½
Distillers Corpn. Seagrams	19½
Douglas Aircraft	76½
Du Pont de Nemours	150½
Eagle Picher Lead	13
Elec. Bond & Share	10½
Elec. Bond & Share $5 pf.	57*
Elec. Bond & Share $6 pf.	62½*
Elec. Power & Light $7 pf.	35½
Flintkote	28½
Gen. American Trans.	57½
Gen. Electric	42½
Gen. Motors	50½
Gen. Railway Signal	24½
Glidden Co.	23½
Goodrich (B.F.)	24
Goodrich $5 pf.	65*
Goodyear Tire & Co.	37½
Great Northern Iron Ore	13½*
Great Northern Rly. pfd.	28½
Great Western Sugar	25
Greyhound Corpn.	20½
Hecker Products	10½
Homestake Mining	62½
Int. Nickel	55

STOCKS	Last Sale Dec. 22
Int. Tel. & Tel.	9
Johns Manville	103
Kennecott Copper	42½
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	53½
Lockheed Aircraft	35½
Loew's Inc.	53
Martin, Glen L.	33½
McKesson & Robbins, $3 pf.	—
Monsanto Chemical	105½
Montgomery Ward	52
Nat. Dairy Products	12½
Nat. Distillers	27
National Gypsum	15½
National Load	26½
Nat. Power & Light	—
Nat. Supply Corpn.	13½
New York Central	20½
N. American Aviation	17½
North American Co.	
Northern Pacific	
Pacific Gas & Elec.	
Pacific Lighting	
Packard Motors	
Paramount Pictures	
Pennsylvania R.R.	
Phelps-Dodge	
Phillips Petroleum	
Public Service of N.J.	
Pure Oil	
Radio Corpn. of Am.	
Republic Steel	
Reynold Tobac. "B"	
Schenley Distillers	
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Sears Roebuck	
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Socony-Vacuum Oil	
Southern Pacific	
Southern Rly $5 pfd.	
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Standard Oil of N.J.	
Stone & Webster	
Swift International	
Technicolor	
Texas Corpn.	
Texas Gulf Sulphur	
Trans-America Co.	
20th Cent. Fox.	
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Woodward Iron Cor.	
Chase National Bank	
National City Bank	

QUOTATIONS NOT RECEIVED

*—bid. †—ex. div.

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1938 High	1938 Low	Dow	Jones Averages	Dec. 23.	Dec. 25, 1938. High	Low	Close	Change
158.41	98.95	30	Industrials	151.39	151.81	150.86	151.38	.01 off
33.19	19.00	20	Rails	31.13	32.11	31.33	32.02	.89 up
25.19	15.14	20	Utilities	22.00	22.07	21.90	22.04	.04 up
92.70	83.39	40	Bonds	89.40			89.59	.19 up
59.00	46.03	11	Commodity Index	48.19				

Business Done:—620,000 shares

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE — SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Stock Exchange Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	SATURDAY 24. DEC.	Sharebrokers' Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				Banks				
$1385	...	$1380/90		H.K. Banks	$1380	...	...	...
				Do. (Col. Reg.)	...			£84
			£81	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...		...	£82
		...	£9½	Chartered Banks	...			£9½
			£27½	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...		...	£27½
			£13	Mercantile Bks. "C"			...	£13
			$88	Bank of East Asia			...	$58
				N. C. & S. Banks			...	$3
				Insurances				
..		200	...	Canton Insurances	..			$210
		...	$485	Union Insurances	...			$490
	70 cts.		...	Underwriters	...			70 cts.
...		$178	..	H.K. Fires				$180
				Shipping				
$62	...			Douglases	...		..	$61½
			$18	Steamboats		...	..	$19
			$60	Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	...			$56
			$24	Indo-Chinas (Def.)	..	..		$24
			80/-	Shells	...			$8½/7½
..				Waterboats	..			$9
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
$115				H.K. & K. Wharves				$117
$8.35		$8.35		Providents (old)	..		...	$8.25
$8.15	...		..	Providents (new)	...			$8.15
$18½		...	..	H.K. & W. Docks	$18½	...	...	$17½
$17½				Do. (new)		...		$101
			$100	Shanghai Docks S.			...	$3½
		...	$5.60	New Engineerings S.	...			
				Mining				
			17/6	Kailans	...			17/6
...			$9.35	Raubs	...	...		$8.90
			$3	Venezuela Gold Flds	...			$3½
	...		7½ cts.	Hong Kong Mines	...			...
				Lands, Hotels and Buildings				
			$6½	H.K. Hotels			...	$6½
$38				H.K. Lands S.	...			$36
...			$107½	Do. 4% Debentures				$105½
...	..		$9½	Shanghai Lands S.	...			...
$5	...		...	H.K. Realties	$5		...	...
...	$9	...		Humphreys			...	$8.50
			$90	Chinese Estates	...		...	..
				Cotton Mills				
...	Ex.	rt.	$18½	Ewos (S.)	$16½	...	C.All	$102
			$104	S'hai Cottons (S.)	...		...	$24
		...	$24	Zoong Sings (S.)	..		...	$42
			$40	Wing On Textiles (S.)			...	
				Public Utilities				
$17		..		Tramways	$17.05			
...	..		$6½	Peak Trams (old)	$6½	...		3½
	..		$5½	Peak Trams (new)	...	...	...	
			$71½	Star Ferries	$71½			$22½
	$22½	...		Y'mati Ferries C.R.$	...		...	$22
		...	$22½	Do. (new)$	..	...		$19½
...	...	$9.65/60	...	China Lights (O.)		...	...	$3½
				China Lights			Rts.	$5½
...	$57½			H.K. Electrics	..			
		...	$17½	Macao Electrics	...			...
	$10.00	...		Sandakan Lights				$23
		...	23	Telephones (old)		...	..	$8
			$5.60	Telephones (new)	..			22/-
			21/3	Tractions				
			25/0	Tractions (pref.)				
				Industrials				
...			$14	Cald., Macg. (Ord.) S.				
...			$13	Cald., Macg. (Pref.) S.				$1.60
..			$1.70	Canton Ices				$15½
...	$15½	...		Cements			...	$4½
			$1½	Ropes			...	
				Miscellaneous				
	$24½			Dairy Farms	...		$24½	...
$6.65			...	Ch. E'tainments	$6.80			...
...	$1½			Constructions (old)	$1.40	...	...	
				Constructions (new)				
	$8			Lane Crawfords				$8
				Nanyang Tobacco				$3½
			$3½	Sincores				$2
$7.45				Watsons				$7.40
		...	75½*	Ch. G. 5% 1925G $Bds.	...			75½
% pm			...	H.K. Govt. 4% Loans	$106	...		...
par	...			H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan	$100			37
			$36	H.K. Wing On				$15½
			$40	S'hai Wing On		...		...
			$¾	Vibro Piling	$6.50			
			16/-	Marsmans Inv. (Lon.)	...			
...		...	3/0	Marsmans Inv. (H.K.)				
...		...	90 cts.	Wm. Powells				90 cts.

*Sales to Shanghai

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, December 23.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

	£
War Loan, 3½% (Red. after 1952)	97-11/16
Canton-K'loon Rly. 5%	
Chinese 4½% Gold Loan, 1898 (Brit. Issue)	18
	77
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	75-1/8
Chin. 4½% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	60
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	37-1/2
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	56-1/2
Chinese 5% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	13-1/2
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	72
Honan Rly. 5%	26
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911	25
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	23
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5%	13-1/4
S'hai-N'king Rly. 5%	24
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	18-1/2
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	18
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	18
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	18
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907	44-1/2
Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924	54-1/2
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	44
Chartered Bank	9-1/8
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	81
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	84
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	17/6†
Chosen Corporation	7/6
Pekin Syndicate	2/-*
S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.	25/-*

London, December 23.

	£
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19-1/2*
Union Insurance	31-1/2*
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	21/3
Allied Ironfounders	19/-
Asso. & Elec. Industries	38/6
Austin Motors, ord.	24/6
Cable & Wireless, New Form, ord.	34
B.-A. Tob. (bearer)	94/4½
Cammell Laird, ord.	7/3
Mexican Eagle	5/3
Courtaulds	28/3
Distillers	89/-
Dunlop Rubber	23/-
Gen. Electric (England)	76/6
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	104/-
Hawker Siddeley Airc.	24/-
Bristol Aeroplane	22/4½
Imperial Chemical Ind.	30/1½
Imperial Tobacco	129/4½
Marks & Sp'cer "A" ord.	55/1½
Rolls Royce	109/4½
Leyland Motors	68/1½
Tate & Lyle	54/4½
Turner & Newall	75/1½
United Steel	23/6
Smethwick Drop Forg.	16/6
Armstrong Stevens, ord.	8/3
Pressed Steel, com.	14/4½
Vickers, ord.	22/3
Woolworths	57/9
Anglo-Dutch	25/1½
Rub. Plant. Invest. Trust	27/1½
Burma Corporation	8/6
Commonwealth Mining	1/6
Marsman Investments	16/-
Randfontein Estates	39/10½
Western Holdings	12/9
Sub-Nigel	225/-
Tanami Gold Mining	6d.
Anglo-Iranian	86/9
Burmah	83/1½
Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer)	80/7½

*—Nominal. †—ex-dividend

—Reuter

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, December 28.

SINGAPORE RUBBER

	Dec. 22 buyers	Dec. 22 sellers	Dec. 28 buyers	Dec. 28 sellers	change
SPOT	28-1/8	28-3/8	28-1/8	28-3/8	unch.
JAN.-MARCH	28-3/8	28-5/8	28-3/8	28-5/8	unch.
APRIL-JUNE	28-3/4	29	28-5/8	28-7/8	off 1/8

The market opened with prices unchanged for all deliveries as compared with Thursday's closing quotations.

The market was dull and featureless. Holiday feeling was predominant. The market will be closed from Saturday, 24th inst. till Tuesday, 27th inst. inclusive.

LONDON RUBBER

	Previous close buyers	Previous close sellers	To-day's close buyers	To-day's close sellers	change
SPOT	8-1/16	8-1/8	8-1/8	8-3/16	up 1/16
APRIL-JUNE	8-3/16	8-5/16	8-1/4	8-5/16	up 1/16
JULY-SEPT.	8-1/4	8-3/8	8-5/16	8-3/8	up 1/16

Market quiet but steady.

NEW YORK COTTON

The market early advanced on higher Liverpool prices, covering by shorts, and scattered, local and foreign buying. Later, prices moderately declined on liquidation, and hedge-selling, and the market finally closed steady on some trade buying.

NEW YORK RUBBER

More activity was witnessed in to-day's session, with prices progressively hardening on higher London cables, professional and Commission House buying, better Wall Street sentiment and more factory interest.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Trading in the Wheat market was also more cheerful and prices moderately advanced on firm foreign markets, professional buying and favourable cash demand.

N. Y. Commodity Market

(By Courtesy of Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz and S. E. Levy & Company)

New York, December 24.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	To-day's Close	Change
New York Cotton — Mar.	—	—	8.37	closed	
New York Rubber — Mar.	—	—	16.47	closed	
Chicago Wheat — May	67½	67½	67½	67½	¼ up
Chicago Corn — May	52½	52½	52½	52½	¼ off
Winnipeg Wheat — May	62½	62	62½	62½	¼ off

NEW YORK COTTON

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
January (1939)	8.30/30			
March („)	8.37/37			
May („)	8.20/20			
July („)	7.92/92		CLOSED	
October („)	7.59/59			
December („)	7.62 N			
Spot	8.82 N			

NEW YORK RUBBER

December	16.59 N	
March (1939)	16.47/47	
May	16.41/43	CLOSED
September	16.46/46	
October	16.47 N	

CHICAGO WHEAT

May	67½/67½	67½/67½	67½/67½	¼ up
July	67½/67½	67½/67	67½/67½	unch.
September	67½/67½	—	67½/67½	¼ off

Thursday's Sales:— 10,492,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

May	52½/52½	52½/52½	52½/52½	¼ off
July	53½/53½	53½/53½	53½/53½	¼ off
September	54/54	—	53½/53½	¼ off

WINNIPEG WHEAT

December	60½/60½	—	60½/60½	¼ off
May	62½/62½	62½/62½	62½/62½	¼ off
July	62½/63	62½/62½	62½/62½	¼ off

NEW YORK HIDES: (New Contracts)

March	12.84/90	CLOSED
June	13.20/20	

NEW YORK-STRAITS TIN

March	46.05b/35a	Closed
NY Silver, Official	42-3/4	Unquoted
NY-L'don Cross Rate	4.66-3/8	4.66-5/8

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Hong Kong, 7th October, 1938.

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For the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation
V. M. Grayburn.
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 7th October, 1938.

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CENTENARY OF EMPIRE TEA

Ceremonial Auction To Be Held

The centenary of the first auction of tea produced within the Empire falls on January 10, 1939. The Empire Tea Centenary Committee held a luncheon at the Savoy Hotel London, on December 15, at which a tea cocktail was served as a prelude. Tea was served at the end of the luncheon.

From a small tea garden employing a few men, the Empire tea industry has developed until now it employs more than 2,000,000 British subjects and has more than £120,000,000 of British capital invested in it. From nine to ten pounds of tea a head a year is consumed in the British Isles.

Lt.-Col. Sir Walter Smiles, M.P., chairman of the Centenary Committee, who presided, said that from zero in 1839 the Empire tea industry now produced over 800,000,000lb. of tea annually. In 1833 the treaty with China, under which tea was imported into England, expired and traders were faced with the possibility of Chinese and Japanese ports being closed to British ships. There was consternation; how could England rule the waves without a nice cup of tea.

Faced with this problem, the Governor-General of Bengal appointed a sub-committee to inquire into the possibility of cultivating tea on a commercial scale in India.

INDIA OR CHINA?

From time immemorial tea had been growing wild in Assam, where the native tribes gathered it and mixed it with oil and garlic before drinking it. The question was: was India the first home of tea and the plant transplanted to China, or was the Chinese plant indigenous? They had good evidence for believing that tea had been drunk in India in one form or another from prehistoric times, and that the plant was taken to China and cultivated there anything between 2,000 and 6,000 years ago.

Districts that were once described on the rough maps of a century ago as a mixture of uninhabited and swamp had been transformed by British capital and enterprise into a land of neat tea gardens with railways, roads, electric light, wireless, cinemas, and most of the amenities of modern civilization. They now had in India and Ceylon research stations and laboratories where every process in the growth and manufacture of tea was scientifically studied and records were tabulated. Within 50 years of its birth, the Empire industry dominated the tea markets of the world.

NICEST CUP

On December 21 a blenders' conference was held at Plantation House, Mincing Lane, to select and blend the finest teas grown in the Empire and produce the "nicest cup of tea in the world."

Some of this blend will go into a gold casket to be presented to the King and Queen. A silver casket of the tea will be sold at the ceremonial auction and sealed, to be preserved for 100 years and opened on January 10, 2039; and 36 other caskets will also be auctioned. All the money raised at the auction will go to the benevolent societies of the trade.

FREE PASSPORT VISAS FOR BUYERS

It was announced recently by the Department of Overseas Trade that free passport visas will be given, where these are required, to all bona fide overseas buyers visiting the 1939 British Industries Fair, which opens in London and Birmingham on February 20.

This concession is extended to include the wives of buyers and their children under 18 years of age, even though they travel on separate passports.

The visas, which can be obtained on application to the nearest British Consular Officer, are valid for three months from the date of issue.

Among the countries to which the concession is made are Germany (including Austria), Russia, China, Japan and Ethiopia.

Lt.-Col. George Campbell Wheeler, V.C., late 9th Gurkha Rifles, of Beach Avenue, Barton-on-Sea, Hants, who gained the V.C. in 1917 for most conspicuous bravery and determination in Mesopotamia, left £12,378 (n.p. £5,970), which he bequeathed to his wife and children.

Arms Cost £1,000,000 Per Day

Every day Great Britain is spending nearly £1,000,000 on defence. Every week special services are distributing payments at the rate of nearly £1 per household to each of the 9,000,000 working-class households in the country.

These figures were given by Mr. Hore-Belisha, the War Minister, when he opened a Liberal National bazaar at Devonport recently.

Pointing out that £340,000,000 had been provided this year for the Navy, Army and Air Force, he maintained that under the Labour Government our defences were neglected and our trade fell.

The last seven years had brought national confidence out of national chaos.

The Minister answered the Labour Party's foreboding about the security of social services by saying that since 1931 the annual expenditure had been increased by nearly £40,000,000.

Economic treaties effected by the National Government had improved commercial intercourse and national prosperity.

CAR FOR BIG GAME HUNTING

The only new model at the Show embodying front wheel drive is the Colonial model exhibited by the Mercedes-Benz Company, this car also embodying four-wheel steering.

The car is practically in a class by itself as it is intended for use in big-game hunting or exploration work over the very roughest ground, or in entirely undeveloped country.

The equipment includes a signalling mast which can also serve as an aerial for a short-wave transmitting and receiving set, cases for arms and ammunition, tropics-proof light-metal trunks, mosquito windows, and sleeping accommodation.

All four wheels are independently sprung, helical springs being employed in conjunction with hydraulic shock absorbers. The four-wheel steering enables the car to be turned round in a road 23 ft. wide, the steering circle being 7 m.

NEW GOVERNOR OF VICTORIA

Major-Gen. Sir Winston Dugan, Governor of South Australia since 1934, is to succeed Lord Huntingfield as Governor of Victoria in May, 1939.

It is understood in Australian circles that Lord Huntingfield will succeed the Duke of Kent when the latter has completed a term as Governor-General of Australia.

Sir Winston Dugan is 61. His family had planned that he should pass through the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, but, acting on impulse, he enlisted in the Guards. After four years' service in the ranks, however, he was given a commission in the Lincolnshire Regiment.

In 1914 he was a captain. By 1916 he was a brigadier-general. After the war he took over command of the 1st London Territorials, with the rank of Major General.

Lord Huntingfield, who is 55, has been Governor of Victoria since 1934. He was born in Australia, and his mother was a native of Queensland.

JAPANESE AND BRITISH FIRMS IN CHINA

London, Dec. 27.

Mr. G. W. Swire, chairman of the China Association, says in a letter to "The Times" that his committee had read with interest the letter of the London Chamber of Commerce of December 21 and desired him to state that on their own information it presented a correct view of the treatment to which British firms had been subjected by the Japanese during the war in China and that they agreed with the Chamber's views about Japanese aims.—Reuter.

MAN TO WATCH

More and more power is being wielded in business circles close to the Government by men about whom the general public knows very little. One is Sir James Lithgow, who the "Sunday Times" suggests may be selected to advise the Government in matters of rearmament.

Sir James was the moving spirit behind this year's Glasgow Exhibition. A shipbuilder, he also has interests in railways, docks, steel and coal.

JOURNALIST WINS CLAIM

Shanghai Newspaper Room's Conditions

Stating that the conditions under which he was supposed to work were impossible, thus forcing him to resign his position, a journalist, Kurt Steiner, appeared last week as plaintiff in H.M. Supreme Court, Shanghai recently before Judge P. Grant Jones when he brought a claim against Mr. L. F. Fearon, publisher of the "Evening Echo," for $94.18, being 12 days' salary and court costs.

Defendant did not appear in court and plaintiff, represented by Dr. P. V. E. Terni, told the court how he met Mr. Fearon in June before the original publication of the "Evening Echo."

Defendant in October offered him a position on the publication to write headings and cover the city news. Witness began work on November 3, the arrangement being that he should receive $250 as salary for the first month. He ceased to work for the newspaper on November 15.

INADEQUATE

During the time of his employment, witness stated that he informed Mr. Fearon of the inadequacy of the editorial offices, there being only three typewriters for a staff of five.

"When I joined" he continued "I discovered I was running the caper." There was no telephone in the office, merely an extension from the "China Press." It was impossible to carry on as the office was not heated and was dangerous to the employees, he added.

Due to irregular payments to the printers of the "Evening Echo," witness continued, the publication often appeared on the streets late and defendant had admitted that he was in arrears regarding payments to the printers, who were the International Corporation, printers of the "China Press."

OFFERED COAT

On November 15 witness went to the business offices of the newspaper and typed a letter to Mr. Fearon resigning his position and asking for the salary due to him

Plaintiff added that it was impossible to assume responsibility for the reporters in the cold room and he had asked for an electric stove or, failing that, a kerosene stove. To this defendant had replied that he would send witness a warm coat. The offer, however, was not accepted.

Judgment was awarded to plaintiff.

Painting the buildings of the New York World's Fair 1939, which is being carried out in a plan following the tints of the rainbow, will require a total of 200 tons of pigment.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s STEAMER "BHUTAN."

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors. MESSRS. GODDARD & DOUGLAS, at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, within the Free Storage period.

Consignees are specially notified that it is necessary for a Revenue Officer to be present at the examination of damaged dutiable cargo.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 15th Jan., 1939, or they will not be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.
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Hong Kong, 25th Dec., 1938. [2057

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S.S. "PRESIDENT HAYES"	,,	Feb. 3rd at 12—Noon
S.S. "PRESIDENT POLK"	,,	Feb. 17th at 12—Noon

MANILA

S.S. "PRESIDENT VAN BUREN"	Sails	Jan. 6th at 12—Noon
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Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th Dec., 1938, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 24th Dec., 1938, at 10 a.m., by our Surveyor Capt. Walter C. Weston.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before the 28th Jan., 1939, or they will not be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JEBSEN & CO.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 22nd Dec., 1938. [2055

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

S.S. "JEAN LABORDE"
3°A/39.

BRINGING CARGO FROM MARSEILLES via SAIGON, etc.

ARRIVED HONG KONG ON FRIDAY, THE 23RD DEC., 1938.

CONSIGNEES are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed & stored into the Godowns of the Hong Kong, Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 3rd Jan., 1939, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, the 29th Dec., 1938.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL,
Agent.

Hong Kong, 22rd Dec., 1938. [2056

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Vessel "HEMIUS"

FROM NEW YORK VIA MANILA

are hereby notified that their Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 26th Dec.

Optional cargo will not be landed here unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and NOON within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd Jan., will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 16th Jan., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Agents.

27th December, 1938. [2058

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD BREMEN.

THE Steamer "POTSDAM"

having arrived from BREMEN, HAMBURG and Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Godowns of The Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, where delivery can be obtained.

All goods remaining undelivered after the 4th Jan., 1939, will be subject to rent.

NO FIRE INSURANCE will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the godown for examination by the consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ashe, at 10 a.m. on the 3rd Jan., 1939.

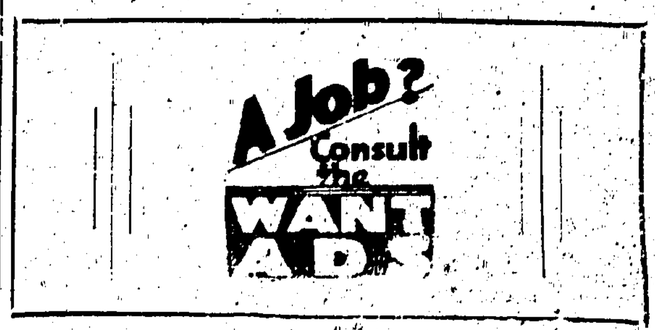
Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's surveyors.

No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the godown and all claims must be presented within Two Weeks of the ship's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognised.

Consignees are requested to surrender their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature.

MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents:
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

Hong Kong, 28th Dec., 1938. [2060



CHINA NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

SWATOW, SHAI., TSINGTAU, W.H.W., CHEFOO & TIENTSIN ... "HOIHOW" ... On 29th Dec., 5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... "KIANGSU" ... On 30th Dec., 10 a.m.
KWANGCHOWWAN, (FORT BAYARD) HOIHOW & HAIPHONG ... *"SHANTUNG" ... On 30th Dec., 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI ... "SOOCHOW" ... On 1st Jan., 4 p.m.
SWATOW, SAIGON & BANGKOK ... "KALGAN" ... On 3rd Jan., 10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... "KWANGTUNG" ... On 3rd Jan., 10 a.m.
SWATOW, FOOCHOW, TSINGTAU, W.H.W., CHEFOO & TIENTSIN ... "KANGHOW" ... On 3rd Jan., 10 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG ... "KIUNGCHOW" ... On 3rd Jan., 3 p.m.
KWANGCHOWWAN (FORT BAYARD) & HAIPHONG ... "JEAN DUPUIS" ... On 3rd Jan., 4 p.m.
HOIHOW & SINGAPORE ... "MUINAM" ... On 4th Jan., 1 p.m.
SWATOW, S'HAI, TSINGTAU, W.H.W., CHEFOO & TIENTSIN ... "HUPEH" ... On 5th Jan., 10 a.m.
KWANGCHOWWAN (FORT BAYARD) HOIHOW & HAIPHONG ... *"SUIYANG" ... On 6th Jan., 10 a.m.
KWANGCHOWWAN (FORT BAYARD) & HAIPHONG ... "JEAN DUPUIS" ... On 17th Jan., 4 p.m.

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CHANGTE	7 Feb.	14 Feb.	17 Feb.	5 Mar.
TAIPING	10 Mar.	17 Mar.	20 Mar.	5 Apr.
CHANGTE	11 Apr.	18 Apr.	21 Apr.	7 May

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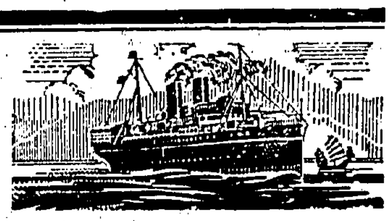

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WEATHER REPORT

HONGKONG ROYAL OBSERVATORY

10 a.m., December 27.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.21 ins.
Temperature, 56 F.
Humidity, 72 per cent.
Wind direction, N.E.
Wind force (Beaufort), 3.
Temperature; maximum yesterday, 63 F.
Temperature; minimum last night, 53 F.
Rainfall for 24 hours ending 10th to-day, 0.00 inch.
Total rainfall since January 1st, 55.35 ins.
Against an average of, 84.99 ins.
Sunset to-night, 5.47 p.m.
Sunrise to-morrow, 7.01 a.m.
4 p.m., December 27.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.11 ins.
Temperature, 58 F.
Humidity, 69 per cent.
Wind direction, N.E.
Wind force (Beaufort), 2.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 28 to 31 Dec 1938

Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water: Hong Kong Standard Time	High Water: Height	Low Water: Hong Kong Standard Time	Low Water: Height
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Wed	28	—	—	07 34	1 9
		14 21	4 8	18 35	4 2
Thur.	29	00 28	5 3	08 10	2 3
		14 56	5 0	19 57	4 3
Fri.	30	01 21	5 4	08 45	2 0
		15 32	5 4	22 20	4 0
Sat.	31	02 35	4 7	09 23	2 9
		16 17	5 9	23 53	3 4

Maximum temperature, 60 F.
Minimum temperature, 53 F.
Rainfall, 0.00 inches.

ADVERTISED SAILING FROM HONGKONG

NORTHWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO COAST PORTS AND JAPAN

Amoy
Kaying, B. & S., Dec. 28.
Van Heutsz, J. C. J. Line, Dec. 29.
Canton Maru, O. S. K., Dec. 30.
Tjisadane, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 4.
Canton Maru, O. S. K., Jan. 14.

Chefoo
Hoihow, B. & S., Dec. 29.
Tai Seun Hong, Jardine's, Dec. 29.
Woolgar, Jebsen's, Dec. 29.
Leesang, Jardine's, Dec. 30.
Taksang, Jardine's, Jan. 1.
Kanchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.

Dairen
Lippe, Melchers, Jan. 3.
Ixion, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Rhenland, Jebsen's, Jan. 4
Preussen, Jebsen's, Jan. 6.
Elbe, Melchers', Jan. 10.
Crefeld, Melchers', Jan. 30.

Foochow
Woolgar, Jebsen's, Dec. 29.
Kanchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.

JAPAN
Potsdam, Melchers', Dec. 28.
Menestheus, B. & S., Dec. 28.
Triton, Thoresen's, Dec. 29.
Pres. Taft, A. P. L., Dec. 31.
Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec. 31
Tarn, Thoresen's, Jan. 1.
Kumsang, Jardine's, Jan. 1.
Behar, P. & O., Jan. 2.
Ixion, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Rheinland, Jebsen's, Jan. 4.
Nellore, E. & A. S. S. Co., Jan. 5.
Shipala, B. I. (Apcar), Jan. 5.
Preussen, Jebsen's, Jan. 6.
Rajputana, P. & O., Jan. 6.
Yuensang, Jardine's, Jan. 7.
Panama, E. A. Co., Jan. 9.
Yasukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 10.
Elbe, Melchers', Jan. 10.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 13.
Leverkusen, Jebsen's, Jan. 15.
Felix Roussel, Messageries', Jan. 18.
Ranchi, P. & O., Jan. 20.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 27.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., Feb. 8.

Swatow
Woolgar, Jebsen's, Dec. 29.
Hoihow, B. & S., Dec. 29.
Tai Seun Hong, Jardine's, Dec. 29.
Leesang, Jardine's, Dec. 30.
Kiangsu, B. & S., Dec. 30.
Hiram, Thoresen's, Jan. 1.
Taksang, Jardine's, Jan. 1.
Kwangtung, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Kanchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.

Takao
Canton Maru, O. S. K., Dec. 30.
Canton Maru, O. S. K., Jan. 14.

Tientsin
Woolgar, Jebsen's, Dec. 29.
Hoihow, B. & S., Dec. 29.
Tai Seun Hong, Jardine's, Dec. 29.
Leesang, Jardine's, Dec. 30.
Taksang, Jardine's, Jan. 1.
Kanchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Rheinland, Jebsen's, Jan. 4.

Tsingtau
Hoihow, B. & S., Dec. 29.
Tai Seun Hong, Jardine's, Dec. 29.
Kanchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Elbe, Melchers', Jan. 10.
Crefeld, Melchers', Jan. 20.

Wei-Hai-Wei
Hoihow, B. & S., Dec. 29.
Kanchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.

EASTWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA

Balboa
Niel Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 28.
Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Jan. 18.
Sawokla, Thoresen's, Jan. 27.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.

Baltimore
Niel Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 28.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.
Sawokla, Thoresen's, Jan. 27.

Boston and New York
Niel Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 28.
Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Jan. 18.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.
Sawokla, Thoresen's, Jan. 27.

Cristobal
Niel Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 28.
Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Jan. 18.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.
Sawokla, Thoresen's, Jan. 27.

Honolulu
Pres. Taft, A. P. L., Dec. 31.
Pres. Cleveland, A. P. L., Jan. 13.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.
Pres. Pierce, A. P. L., Jan. 27.

Los Angeles
Niel Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 28.
Pres. Taft, A. P. L., Dec. 31.
Pres. Cleveland, A. P. L., Jan. 13.
Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Jan. 18.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.
Pres. Pierce, A. P. L., Jan. 27.

Panama
Niel Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 28.
Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Jan. 18.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.
Sawokla, Thoresen's, Jan. 27.

Philadelphia
Niel Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 28.
Sawokla, Thoresen's, Jan. 27.

Portland, Ore
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, Jan. 27.

San Francisco
Pres. Taft, A. P. L., Dec. 31.
Pres. Cleveland, A. P. L., Jan. 13.
Pres. Pierce, A. P. L., Jan. 27.

Seattle
Ixion, B. & S., Jan. 3.

Vancouver, B.C.
Ixion, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., Feb. 8.

Victoria, B.C.
Ixion, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Jan. 24.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., Feb. 8.

SOUTHWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO COAST PORTS, MANILA, AUSTRALIA

Australian Ports, East and West
Nankin, E. & A. S. S. Co., Dec. 31
Taiping, B. & S., Jan. 13.
Kitano Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 26.

Bali
Tjisadane, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 17.

Bangkok
Boissevain, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 5.

Batavia
Phemius, B. & S., Jan. 10.
Tjibadak, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 10.

Belawan-Deli
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 12.
Kitano Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 26.

Brisbane
Taiping, B. & S., Jan. 13.

Borneo Ports
Mausang, Jardine's, Jan. 6.

Brisbane
Nankin, E. & A. S. S. Co., Dec. 31.

Cebu
Silversandal, Furness, Dec. 28.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 30.
Tjisadane, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 17.

Cairns
Taiping, B. & S., Jan. 13.

Davao
Silversandal, Furness, Dec. 28.
Kitano Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 26.

Haiphong
Proteus, Jebsen's, Dec. 28.
Tjibadak, J. C. J. Line, Dec. 29.
Wingsang, Jardine's, Dec. 29.
Shantung, B. & S., Dec. 30.
Jean Dupuis, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Yusang, Jardine's, Jan. 4.
Laos, C. A. N., Jan. 4.

Hobart
Nankin, E. & A. S. S. Co., Dec. 31

Hoihow
Proteus, Jebsen's, Dec. 28.
Shantung, B. & S., Dec. 30.
Hai Lee, Thoresen's, Dec. 31.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.

Java
Tjibadak, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 10.

Kwangchowwan
Proteus, Jebsen's, Dec. 28.
Shantung, B. & S., Dec. 30.
Jean Dupuis, B. & S., Jan. 3.

Madang.
Friderun, Melchers, Jan. 19.

Makassar
Tjisadane, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 17.

Manila
Silversandal, Furness, Dec. 28.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Dec. 30.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 30.
Nankin, E. & A. S. S. Co., Dec. 31.
Boissevain, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 5.
Pres. Van Buren, A. P. L., Jan. 6.
Conte Rosso, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 6.
Pres. Cleveland, A. P. L., Jan. 7.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Jan. 7.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., Jan. 12.
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 12.
Taiping, B. & S., Jan. 13.
Tjisadane, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 17.
Pres. Harrison, A. P. L., Jan. 20.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 21.
Pres. Pierce, A. P. L., Jan. 21.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, Jan. 22.
Kitano Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 26.
Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., Jan. 27.
Emp. of Russia, C. P. S., Feb. 9.

Melbourne
Nankin, E. & A. S. S. Co., Dec 31.
Taiping, B. & S., Jan. 13.
Kitano Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 26.

Pakhoi
Proteus, Jebsen's, Dec. 28.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Jan. 3.

Rabaul
Nankin, E. & A. S. S. Co., Dec. 31.
Friderun, Melchers, Jan. 19.

Saigon
Boissevain, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 5.
Jean Laborde, Messageries', Jan. 5.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Jan. 7.
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.

Salamaua
Friderun, Melchers, Jan. 19.

Sandakan
Mausang, Jardine's, Jan. 6.

Semarang
Tjibadak, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 10.

Soerabaia
Tjisadane, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 17.

Sydney
Nankin, E. & A. S. S. Co., Dec. 31
Taiping, B. & S., Jan. 13.

Thursday Island
Taiping, B. & S., Jan. 13.
Kitano Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 26.

Townsville
Nankin, E. & A. S. S. Co., Dec. 31.
Taiping, B. & S., Jan. 13.

Tulagi
Friderun, Melchers, Jan. 19.

WESTWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO EUROPE AFRICA, ETC.

Aden
Menestheus, B. & S., Dec. 28.
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Serooskerk, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 3.
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 21.

Algiers
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.

African Ports
Boissevain, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 5.

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"Yusang" 4th Jan., Noon
"Wosang" 7th Jan., Noon

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"Kutsang" 7th Jan., 2 p.m.
"Kumsang" 20th Jan. 2 p.m.

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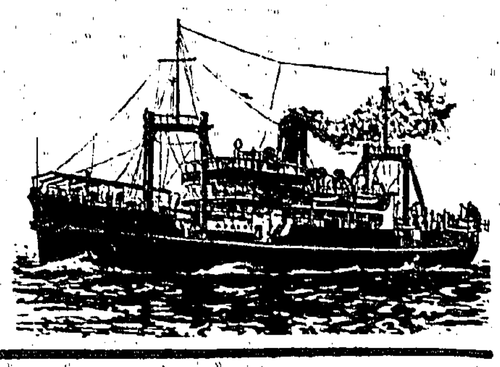

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Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31
Serooskerk, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 3.
Benlomond, Loxley's, Jan. 9.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.

Boston and New York
Silversandal, Furness, Dec. 28.
Pres. Van Buren, A. P. L., Jan. 6.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Jan. 7.
Phemius, B. & S., Jan. 10.

Bombay
British Monarch, N. Y. K., Dec. 30.
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Conte Rosso, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 6.
Pres. Van Buren, A. P. L., Jan. 6.
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Hakodate Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 10.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 21.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 21.

Bremen
British Monarch, N. Y. K., Dec. 30.
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 12.

Calcutta
Tusima Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30.
Talma, B. I. (Apcar), Dec. 31.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Jan. 7.
Sirdhana, B. I. (Apcar), Jan. 14.
Kumsang, Jardine's, Jan. 20.

Cape Town
Boissevain, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 5.

Casablanca
Menestheus, B. & S., Dec. 28.
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.

Colombo
La Plata Maru, O. S. K., Dec. 29.
British Monarch, N. Y. K., Dec. 30.
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Buenos Aires Maru, O. S. K., Dec. 31.
Manila Maru, O. S. K., Jan. 3.
Serooskerk, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 3.
Jean Laborde, Messageries', Jan. 5.
Conte Rosso, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 6.
Pres. Van Buren, A. P. L., Jan. 6.
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Benlomond, Loxley's, Jan. 9.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9
Hakodate Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 10.
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 12.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 21.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 21.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, Jan. 22.

Copenhagen
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Afrika, E. A. Co., Jan. 5.

Durban
Boissevain, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 5.

Genoa
Serooskerk, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 3.
Conte Rosso, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 6.
Pres. Van Buren, A. P. L., Jan. 6.
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 12.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 21.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, Jan. 22.

Gibraltar
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 21.

Glasgow
Menestheus, B. & S., Dec. 28.
City of Mandalay, Bank Line, Jan. 13.

Gothenburg
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.

Halifax
Silversandal, Furness, Dec. 28.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Jan. 7.
Phemius, B. & S., Jan. 10.

Hamburg
Menestheus, B. & S., Dec. 28.
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Serooskerk, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 3.
Afrika, E. A. Co., Jan. 5.
Benlomond, Loxley's, Jan. 9.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 12.
City of Mandalay, Bank Line, Jan. 13.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, Jan. 22.

Jaffa Haifa
Afrika, E. A. Co., Jan. 5.

Havre
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
City of Mandalay, Bank Line, Jan. 13.

Hull
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31

Karachi
Hakodate Maru, N. Y. K., Jan. 10.

London
Menestheus, B. & S., Dec. 28.
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Benlomond, Loxley's, Jan. 9.
City of Mandalay, Bank Line, Jan. 13.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 21.

Leith
Benlomond, Loxley's, Jan. 9.

Malta
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 21.

Marseilles
Menestheus, B. & S., Dec. 28.
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Jean Laborde, Messageries', Jan. 5.
Pres. Van Buren, A. P. L., Jan. 6.
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 21.

Mauritius
Boissevain, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 5.

Naples
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Conte Rosso, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 6.
Pres. Van Buren, A. P. L., Jan. 6.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 21.

Oran
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.

Oslo
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9

Penang
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Hai Lee, Thoresen's, Dec. 31.
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Talma, B. I. (Apcar), Dec. 31.
Van Heutsz, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 5.
Pres. Van Buren, A. P. L., Jan. 6.
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Jan. 7.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 12.
Sirdhana, B. I. (Apcar), Jan. 14.
Kumsang, Jardine's, Jan. 20.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 21.

Plymouth
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 21.

Port Said
Menestheus, B. & S., Dec. 28.
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Serooskerk, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 3.
Afrika, E. A. Co., Jan. 5.
Jean Laborde, Messageries, Jan. 5.
Conte Rosso, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 6.
Pres. Van Buren, A. P. L., Jan. 6.
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Benlomond, Loxley's, Jan. 9.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 12.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 21.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 21.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, Jan. 22.

Port Soudan
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Regensburg, Melchers', Jan. 10.

Port Swettenham
Talma, B. I. (Apcar), Dec. 31
Serooskerk, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 3.
Sirdhana, B. I. (Apcar), Jan. 14.

Rangoon
Tusima Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30.
Hai Lee, Thoresen's, Dec., 31.
Talma, B. I. (Apcar), Dec. 31.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Sirdhana, B. I. (Apcar), Jan. 14.

Rotterdam
Menestheus, B. & S., Dec. 28.
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Serooskerk, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 3.
Afrika, E. A. Co., Jan. 5.
Benlomond, Loxley's, Jan. 9.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 12.
City of Mandalay, Bank Line, Jan. 13.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, Jan. 22.

Scandinavian Ports
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Afrika, E. A. Co., Jan. 5.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.

Singapore
Menestheus, B. & S., Dec. 28.
La Plata Maru, O. S. K., Dec. 29.
Tusima Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30.
British Monarch, N. Y. K., Dec. 30.
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Hai Lee, Thoresen's, Dec. 31.
Buenos Aires Maru, O. S. K., Dec. 31.
Talma, B. I. (Apcar), Dec. 31.
Manila Maru, O. S. K., Jan. 3.
Afrika, E. A. Co., Jan. 5.
Van Heutsz, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 5.
Boissevain, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 5.
Jean Laborde, Messageries Jan. 5.
Conte Rosso, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 6.
Pres. Van Buren, A. P. L., Jan. 6.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Jan. 7.
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Benlomond, Loxley's, Jan. 9.
Tancred, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Phemius, B. & S., Jan. 10.
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.

Southampton
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 12.

Suez
Nanking, Gilman's, Dec. 30.
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 30
Jean Laborde, Messageries', Jan. 5
Pres. Van Buren, A. P. L., Jan. 6.
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 12.
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 12.

Tangier
Chitral, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Carthage, P. & O., Jan. 21.

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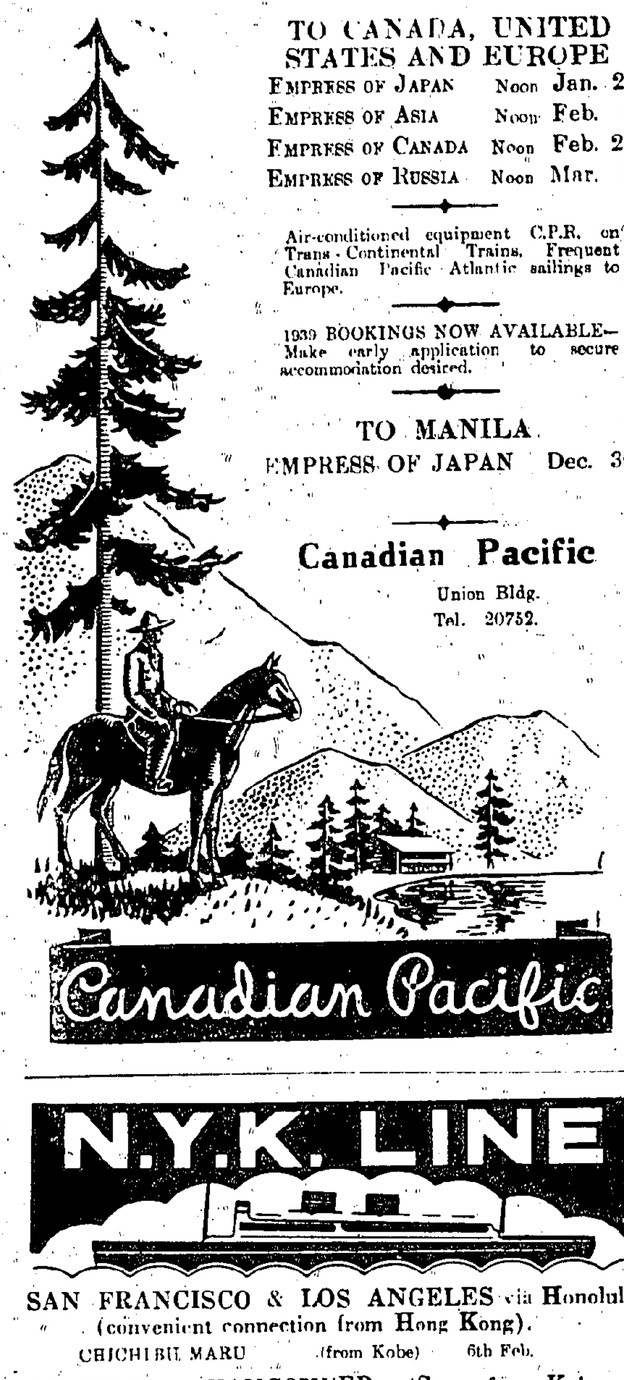

TO CANADA, UNITED STATES AND EUROPE

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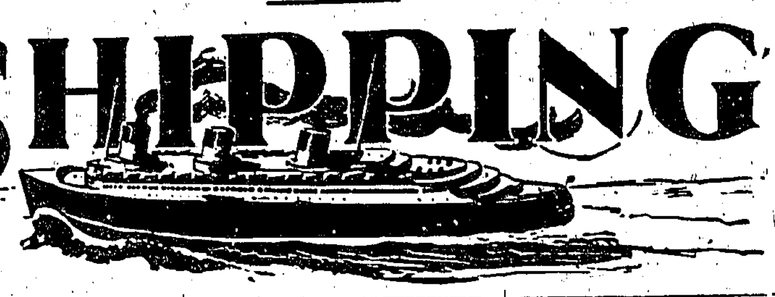

DUE TO-DAY

Conte Rosso, Italian, 9,909 registered tons, Captain Fabris, from Europe and Straits, at Kowloon Wharf, 4 p.m.—Lloyd Triestino (Tel. 32983).

Canton, French, 976 registered tons, Captain G. Charlot, from Haiphong, at buoy No. B?, 10 a.m.—M. M. (Tel. 26651).

Van Heutsz, Dutch, 2,749 registered tons, Capt. Beurts, from Straits, at buoy No. A4, 6 a.m.—J. C. J Line (Tel. 28015).

Tjibadak, Dutch, 4,801 registered tons, from Dairen and Amoy, at buoy No. A?, a.m.—J. C. J. Line (Tel. 28015).

Menelaus, British, 6,319 registered tons, Captain Neville, from Europe via Straits, at Holt's Wharf, 7 a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Potsdam, German, 10,115 registered tons, Captain O. Preiss, from Hamburg, via Straits and Manila, at Kowloon Wharf, 6 a.m.—Melchers & Co. (Tel. 27772).

Hupeh, British, 1,623 registered tons, from Tientsin and Swatow, at buoy No. B?, a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Sawokla, American, 3,667 registered tons, Captain S. J. Lee, from New York, at Kowloon Wharf, p.m.—Thoresen & Co. (Tel. 30237).

Seistan, British, 1,571 registered tons, Captain W. B. Patey, from Swatow, at Douglas Wharf, a.m.—Douglas & Co. (Tel. 28037).

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

Hiram, Norwegian, 1,108 registered tons, Captain T. Olsen, from Bangkok, at buoy No. B16.—Thoresen & Co. (Tel. 30237).

Kalgan, British, 1,556 registered tons, Captain F. Gibbs, from Bangkok and Hoihow, at buoy No. B15.—B. and S. (Tel. 30331).

Kiangsu, British, 1,555 registered tons, Captain R. Allinson, from Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow, at buoy No. B3.—B. and S. (Tel. 30331).

Bidevind, Norwegian, 4,900 registered tons, Capt. M. Roberg, from Portland, Vancouver and Manila, at buoy No. A12.—Furness (Far East), Ltd. (Tel. 23165).

SHIPS IN HARBOUR

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No. B15.—Kalgan.
No. B16.—Hiram.
No. B21.—Talyuan.
No. B25.—Harmala.

DUE TO-MORROW

Kum Sang, British, 3,341 registered tons, Capt. D. G. Burleigh, from Calcutta and Straits, at Kowloon Wharf, a.m.—J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Lyeemoon, British, 1,734 registered tons, Captain W. J. Freer, from Saigon, at Kowloon Wharf, a.m.—Wo Fat Sing (Tel. 20005).

Boissevain, Dutch, 8,669 registered tons, Capt. Blankstein, from Shanghai, at Kowloon Wharf, a.m.—J. C. J. Line (Tel. 28015).

Mau Sang, British, 2,063 registered tons, Captain P. Jowitt, from Sandakan, at buoy No. B22, a.m.—J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Peter Maersk, Danish, 3,434 registered tons, Captain Schmidt, from U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai, at Kowloon Wharf, a.m.—Jebsen and Co. (Tel. 31205).

Talma, British, 6,154 registered tons, Captain C. C. Gwyn, from Japan, at buoy No. A?, a.m.—M. M. & Co. (Tel. 27721).

Triton, Norwegian, 4,045 registered tons, Captain H. Thomassen, from Europe and Singapore, at Kowloon Wharf, a.m.—Thoresen & Co. (Tel. 30237).

Nankin, British, 4,426 reg. tons, Captain Mills, from Moji, at Kowloon Wharf, a.m.—M. M. and Co. (Tel. 27721).

VESSELS DUE

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Conte Verde Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 28.
Crefeld, Melchers', Jan. 20.
Elbe, Melchers', Jan. 10.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., Jan. 12
Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., Jan. 27.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., Dec. 30
Emp. of Russia, C. P. S., Feb. 9.
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Friedenn, Melchers, Jan. 9.
Hupeh, B. & S., Dec. 28.
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Rajputana, P. & O., Jan. 5.
Ranchi, P. & O., Jan. 19.
Regensburg, Melchers, Jan. 11.
Seaforth, Jebsen's, Jan. 4.
Santhia, B. I. (Apcar), Jan. 31.
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Soudan, P. & O., Jan. 19.
Tai Shan, Dodwell's, Jan. 17.
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Talma, B. I. (Apcar), Dec. 29.
Tarn, Thoresen's, Jan. 1.
Tegelberg, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 19.
Terukuni Maru, N. Y. K., Dec. 29.
Tilawa, B. I. (Apcar), Jan. 17.
Titan, B. & S., Jan. 3.
Tjisalak, J. C. J. Line, Dec. 31.
Tjisadane, J. C. J. Line, Jan. 3.
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SAILING TO-DAY

Bidevind, Norwegian, 4,900 registered tons, Captain M. Roberg, from buoy No. A12, for Shanghai, a.m.—Furness (Far East), Limited (Tel. 23165).

Hai Tan, British, 2,225 registered tons, Captain E. Walker, from Douglas Wharf, for Swatow, Amoy and Foochow, 4 p.m.—Douglas & Co. (Tel. 28037).

Niel Maersk, Danish, 3,168 reg. tons, Captain Kroup, from buoy No. A3, for Shanghai, Japan and U.S.A., noon.—Jebsen and Co. (Tel. 31205).

Sandviken, Norwegian, 1,775 reg. tons, Capt. P. Heesch, from buoy No. B11, for Chuanchow, Foochow and Wenchow, p.m.—Jebshun and Co. (Tel. 24553).

Shun Chih, British, 1,173 registered tons, Captain W. Lee, from buoy No. C1, for Swatow and Saigon, p.m.—Wo Fat Sing (Tel. 20005).

Silversandal, British, 3,693 registered tons, Captain J. H. Leask, from Taikoo Dock, for Manila, Java and U.S.A., 10 a.m.—Furness (Far East) Ltd. (Tel. 23165).

Hong Siang, British, 2,140 reg. tons, Capt. D. M. Cole, from buoy No. A5, for Swatow, Amoy and Foochow, p.m.—Ho Hong and Co. (Tel. 26127).

Ursula Rickmers, German, 3,106 registered tons, Captain Ahl, from Stonecutters, for Shanghai and Japan, p.m.—Jebsen and Co. (Tel. 31205).

SAILING TO-MORROW

Hoihow, British, 1,529 reg. tons, Captain O. Fox, from Taikoo Sugar R. Wharf, for Swatow, Shanghai, Tsingtao, Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin, 5 p.m.—B. and S. (Tel. 30331).

Tai Seun Hong, French, 1,297 registered tons, Capt. H. Courqueux, from buoy No. B2, for Swatow, Shanghai, Chefoo and Tientsin, noon.—J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Wing Sang, British, 1,953 registered tons, Captain C. M. Cater from buoy No. B8, for Haiphong, 5 p.m.—J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Conte Rosso, Italian, 9,909 registered tons, Captain Fabris, from Kowloon Wharf, for Shanghai, a.m.—Lloyd Triestino (Tel. 32983).

Tjibadak, Dutch, 4,801 reg. tons, from buoy A?, for Haiphong, p.m.—J. C. J. Line (Tel. 28015).

Changon, British, 2,235 registered tons, Captain L. N. Beer, from buoy No. B?, for Haiphong, a.m.—Dodwell & Co. (Tel. 28021).

Van Heutsz, Dutch, 2,749 registered tons, Captain Beurts, from buoy No. A4, for Amoy, p.m.—J. C. J. Line (Tel. 28015).

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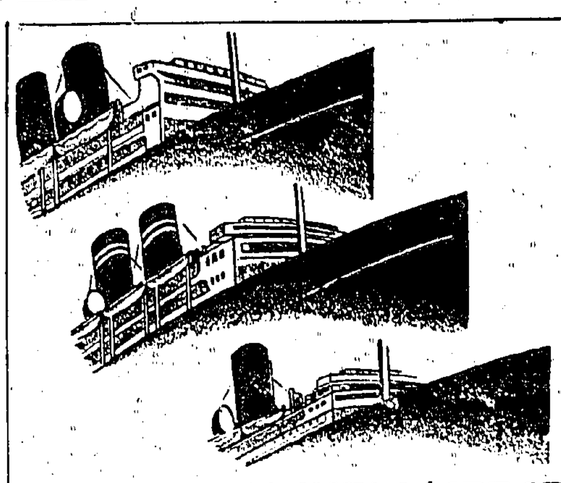

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§RAJPUTANA	17,000	4th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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SHIRALA	7,000	5th Jan.	Japan
RAJPUTANA	8,000	6th Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
TILAWA	17,000	19th Jan.	Japan
RANCHI	10,000	2 th Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
*SOUDAN	7,000	21st Jan.	do.
SANTHIA	6,000	2nd Feb.	Japan
RANPURA	8,000	3rd Feb.	Shanghai & Japan
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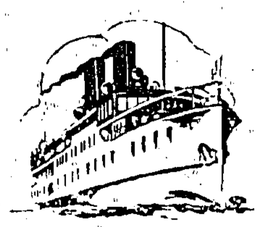

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	Potsdam	Singapore, Penang, Belawan, Colombo	Jan. 12
Manila	Potsdam	Manila	Jan. 12
Shanghai & Japan	Potsdam	Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe	Dec. 28
	Lippe	Shanghai, Dairen	Jan. 3
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DEVELOPMENT OF KWEICHOW

Foreign Experts Welcomed

Kweiyang, Dec. 27.

Kweichow, far-flung province in China's southwest, welcomes foreign experts to help its development, declared Mr. Cheng Tao-ju, Secretary-General of the Kweichow Provincial Government, in an interview.

Mr. Cheng said that Kweichow is becoming an important base for China's resistance to which factories from the Wuhan cities, Hunan, Kwangsi, and Kwangtung and such important institutions as the International Red Cross Society, the Central Hospital, and the National Medical Institute are moving.

Mr. Cheng stressed the importance of developing Kweichow's communications as the prerequisite to economic development. Without adequate transportation facilities, he said, it would be most difficult to exploit Kweichow's immense underground wealth.

Mr. Cheng revealed that the provincial authorities are building ten new highways to connect the Kweichow districts and the neighbouring provinces.

As soon as better communications are developed Kweichow industries are expected to flourish: tobacco which is ideal for cigar and cigarette making, flour as Kweichow produces much wheat, vegetable oil to replace imported motor oil, mercury for export and coal and iron for new industries.

Discussing the contribution of the Miaos and Yis, two aboriginal tribes whose population is around 8,000,000 in Kweichow Mr. Cheng said that many of them are joining the army while others are engaged in agriculture.

Kweichow's foreign population is around 100, the majority being missionaries with Germans and French sharing one third each, and Anglo-Saxons and a sprinkling of Danes making up the remaining portion.—Central News.

JAPANESE INVASION OF SHENSI

Tungkwan, Dec. 27.

Rumours, believed to have emanated from Japanese sources, state the Japanese in south Shansi will soon invade Shensi by way of Yumenkow, an important ferry landing on the Yellow River flowing along the Shansi-Shensi border.—Central News.

ATTACK OF MAFONG REPULSED

Szewui,
Kwangtung, Dec. 27.

Repeated Japanese attempts to take Mafong, on the west bank of the West River, about 17 miles above Samshui, have been foiled by the Chinese.

On Christmas Day, about 200 Japanese infantry and cavalry from Samshui marched to Namkong opposite Mafong. They mounted their machine-guns and field pieces and opened heavy fire to cover their troops which attempted to cross the river.

Chinese at Mafong put up stubborn resistance and frustrated the attempt.—Central News.

NEW TRADE AGREEMENT

London, Dec. 27.

A deputation of Australian trade experts have begun negotiations in Washington on a new trade agreement. Similar negotiations will later be conducted in Ottawa. The deputation is headed by the Australian High Commissioner to London, Mr. Stanley Bruce.

It is intimated here that trade negotiations have been rendered necessary by the Anglo-American trade agreement.—Transocean.

WIDE AREAS BOMBED BY JAPANESE AIRCRAFT

Chungking, December 27.

Wide areas in Kwangtung, Kiangsi, Hunan and west Hupeh were visited by Japanese planes on reconnaissance and bombing operations yesterday, according to reports gathered here.

In northern Kwangtung, Namhung, near the Kiangsi border, was severely attacked by 15 aircraft in two groups. They released about 60 bombs in the outskirts.

The raiders later flew over Yingtak, on the Canton-Hankow Railway south of Shiukwan, where they also dropped several bombs.

In west Kwangtung, three Japanese planes, after conducting an extensive reconnaissance flight along the West River, unloaded several bombs at Lupu, on the north bank of the river west of Siuhing.

A single Japanese plane bombed Sinfung, in south Kiangsi. It dropped one missile, which killed and wounded more than a dozen civilians.

MACHINE-GUN CHANGTEH

Changteh, in north Hunan, was visited by three machines which, after circling over the town for some time, opened machine-gun fire on the eastern and northern suburbs. They then flew away without dropping bombs.

Shortly afterwards, six other Japanese planes were sighted over Newpitan, east of Changteh, doing reconnaissance work.

A large fleet of Japanese bombers was sighted at different points in Hupeh yesterday, heading for the west. They flew over Ichang, but did not release bombs.—Central News.

SOVIET-ITALIAN RELATIONS BROKEN

Moscow, Dec. 27.

Following agreement reached between the Soviet Russian and Italian Governments regarding closing down of the former Soviet Russian Consulate-General in Milan and the Italian Consulate-General in Odessa, consular relations between the two countries have now been completely suspended.—Transocean.

INDEPENDENCE OF UKRAINE DEMANDED

New York, Dec. 27.

A resolution demanding complete independence of the Ukraine and promising the assistance of Ukrainians living in the United States, was passed yesterday at the annual congress of Ukrainian societies in America held in Jersey City.

This Ukrainian State, declares the resolution, must be formed from Ukrainian territories and incorporated in Soviet Russia, Poland and Rumania.

A second resolution passed by the Congress repudiates the assertion that the Ukrainian independence movement is supported by Germany.

Support for the seven and half million Ukrainians living in Poland was promised by the congress.—Transocean.

NEW REFUGEE SHELTER

Chungking, Dec. 27.

A Shanghai despatch received here states that the newly constructed refugee shelter in the western district of Shanghai will shortly be opened for the accommodation of war victims.

With accommodation for 5,000 people, the shelter is equipped with electricity and water supplies and is expected to relieve to some extent the congestion in other camps.

Despite energetic efforts by the authorities to move them to the interior places, there still remain about 100,000 refugees in Shanghai, it is learned.—Central News.

FRANCE REPLIES TO ITALY

Rome, Dec. 27.

The French Ambassador M. Francois-Poncet, yesterday handed Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, the French note replying to Italy's recent note denouncing the Mussolini-Laval Agreement of 1935.

The contents of the reply are not yet known.—Reuter.

NO REASSURANCE IN KONOYE'S STATEMENT

London, Dec. 27.

"Foreign governments and businessmen will find nothing to reassure them in Prince Konoye's statement," says the "Manchester Guardian."

"They will notice that for the third time running in official declarations of policy, the Japanese Government has omitted to repeat its respect for the Nine-Power Treaty and the Open Door.

"One must ask whether the demand for special facilities for development of natural resources is not in itself inconsistent with the policy of the Open Door. The language is too general to inspire convictions."—Reuter.

NOTHING NEW

Chungking, Dec. 27.

The policy of Great Britain and the United States to extend material and financial assistance to China will not likely be affected by Prince Konoye's statement on Japanese policy toward China issued on December 22. This is the opinion of competent diplomatic observers.

The Japanese Premier's statement, they point out, contains nothing new and therefore has not aroused as much interest as would have been expected.—Central News

CHINESE TAKE OFFENSIVE IN KWANGTUNG

Chungking, Dec. 27.

Chinese forces are taking the offensive both in Kwangtung and North Hunan.

Military advices from Kwangtung that the Chinese converging on Tsengshing, 35 miles of the northeast of Canton, have reached the outskirts, and occupied a strategic height outside the east gate overlooking the city.

In northern Hunan, the Chinese are closing in on Yoyang, on the Canton-Hankow Railway. Yungchiawan and Matang, nine miles south, have both been retaken. Vanguards have reached Nantsihkang in the immediate neighbourhood of Yoyang city.

The Japanese in Yoyang are reported to be transporting military supplies to Chenglingki, five miles north of Yoyang, lest they should be captured.—Central News.

UNSUCCESSFUL SORTIE

Milo, Hunnan, Dec. 27.

Under a barrage, Japanese troops at Yoyang made a sortie against the Chinese at Lungwanchiao and Hsitang, on the north bank of the Sinsiang River, yesterday morning. Both these places were recently captured by the Chinese.

Fighting lasted until noon when the Chinese repulsed them in an enveloping counter-assault.—Central News

JAPANESE REPAIR NANCHANG-KIUKIANG RAILWAY

Nanchang, Dec. 27.

The Japanese are repairing the Kiukiang-Tehan section of the Nanchang-Kiukiang Railway. Five locomotives and many wagons have been shipped to Kiukiang aboard transports ready for use on the railway.

A thousand Japanese reinforcements are reported to have arrived on the north bank of the Siu River. The Chinese are still guarding the south bank—Central News

Estate of £4,565 (n.p. £2,381) was left by Mr. John Stuart Hindmarsh, of Fairmile, Cobham, Surrey—husband of Violette Cordery, the racing driver—who was killed in a flying accident at Weybridge on Sept. 6. He died intestate.

NEW ROYAL MAIL VAN

PHOTOGRAPH taken of the new Royal Mail van at Kai Tak airport. (Photo by Leica).

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 28th DECEMBER 1938, 9.30 A.M.

Registered and Ordinary mail (not Insured or Parcels) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

Ordinary letter mail only for West Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Szechwan, Kwelchow and Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Haiphong	Canton	28th Dec.
Straits	Van Heutsz	28th Dec.
Straits	Menelaus	28th Dec.
Tientsin and Swatow	Hupeh	28th Dec.
Manila	Potsdam	29th Dec.
Straits and Europe via Negapatani	Conte Rosso	28th Dec.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 22nd December.	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**28th Dec.**
Calcutta and Straits	Kumsang	29th Dec
Shanghai	Boissevain	29th Dec.
Japan.	La Plata Maru	29th Dec.
Japan	Talma	29th Dec.
Japan	Nankin	29th Dec.
Japan and Shanghai	Terukuni Maru	29th Dec.
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 10th December.	Emp. of Japan	30th Dec.
Japan and Shanghai	Bangalore	30th Dec.
Manila	Pres. Taft	30th Dec.
Java	Tjisalak	31st Dec.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 21st December.	**Pan-American Airways Plane**	**31st Dec.**
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 25th December.	Imperial Airways Plane	31st Dec.
Saigon	Laos	1st Jan.
Straits	Jehar	1st Jan.
Straits	Sarpedon	1st Jan.
Java and Manila	Tjisadane	2nd Jan.
Straits	Titan	3rd Jan.
Calcutta and Straits	Shirala	3rd Jan.
Japan	Manila Maru	3rd Jan.
Australia and Manila	Nellore	4th Jan.
U. S. A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 10th Dec.).	Pres. Van Buren	5th Jan.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.,)—London date, 8th December and London Parcels—London date, 1st December.	Rajputana	5th Jan.
U. S. A., Honolulu and Japan—San Francisco date 16th December 1938	President Cleveland	6th Jan.
Japan and Shanghai	Chitral	6th Jan.
Calcutta and Straits	Yuensang	6th Jan.
Australia and Manila	Taiping	8th Jan.

OUTWARD MAILS

REGISTERED AND PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time
WEDNESDAY		**Wed., 28th**
Manila	Silversandal	8.30 AM
Swatow	Shunchih	12.30 PM
Swatow and Foochow	Haitan	3.0 PM
Amoy	Kayling	3.30 PM
		K.P.O.
		Reg. 5.00 PM
		Ord. 5.30 PM
		G.P.O.
		Reg. 5.00 PM
Shanghai and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia	Potsdam	Ord. 7.00 PM
THURSDAY		**Thursday, 29th**
Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban	La Plata Maru	12.30 PM
Haiphong	Wingsang	3.00 PM
Swatow and Tientsin	Tai Seun Hong	3.30 PM
Amoy and Tientsin	Holhow	3.30 PM
Amoy	Van Heutsz	4.30 PM
		K.P.O.
		Reg. 5.00 PM
		Ord 5.30 PM
		G.P.O.
Airmail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 5th January 1939.	Imperial Airways Plane	Reg. 6.00 PM
		Ord. 7.00 PM
		K.P.O.
		Reg. 5.00 PM
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 7th January 1939.	Imperial Airways Plane	Ord. 5.30 PM
		G.P.O.
		Reg. 5.00 PM
		Ord. 7.00 PM
FRIDAY		**Friday, 30th**
Tientsin	Leesang	8.30 AM
Swatow	Kiangsu	8.30 AM
Fort Bayard and Holhow	Shantung	8.30 AM
Formosa and Amoy	Canton Maru	10.30 AM
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 10th January.		G.P.O. & K.P.O
		Reg. 12.30 PM
	Terukuni Maru	Ord. 1.00 PM
Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 25th January.		G.P.O. & K.P.O.
	Terukuni Maru	Reg. 12.45 PM
Haiphong	Canton	Ord. 1.30 PM
		2.00 PM
Japan, Honolulu U. S. A., Central and South America Via San Francisco (Parcels and Papers only for Canada)—due San Francisco 18th January 1939.		*G.P.O. & K.P.O.*
	Pres. Taft	Par. Noon
	Emp. of Japan	Reg. 1.45 PM
Manila		Ord. 2.30 PM
		4.30 PM
		G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia, and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 17th January.		Par. 30th 5.00 PM
		Reg. 31st 7.45 AM
	Nanking	Ord. 31st 9.30 AM
SATURDAY		**Saturday, 31st**
Japan	Kumsang	5.0 PM
		K.P.O.
		Reg. 5.00 PM
		Ord. 5.30 PM
		G.P.O.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 7th Jan.	Pan-American Airways Plane	Reg. 5.00 PM
		Ord. 5.30 PM

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